

### At the Court at KENSINGTON,

December the 3d, 1696.

#### PRESENT

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

PON the humble Petitions of N. BRADY and N. TATE, this Day read at the Board, setting forth, That the Petitioners have, with their utmost Care and Industry, compleated, A New Version of the Pfalms of David, in English Metre, fitted for publick Use; and bumbly praying bis Majesty's Royal Allowance, that the Version may be used in fuch Congregations as think fit to receive it:

His Majesty, taking the same into his Royal Consideration, is pleased to order in Council, That the said New Version of the Psalms in English Metre, be, and the same is hereby Allowed and Permitted to be used in all Churches, Chapels, and Congregations,

as shall think fit to receive the same.

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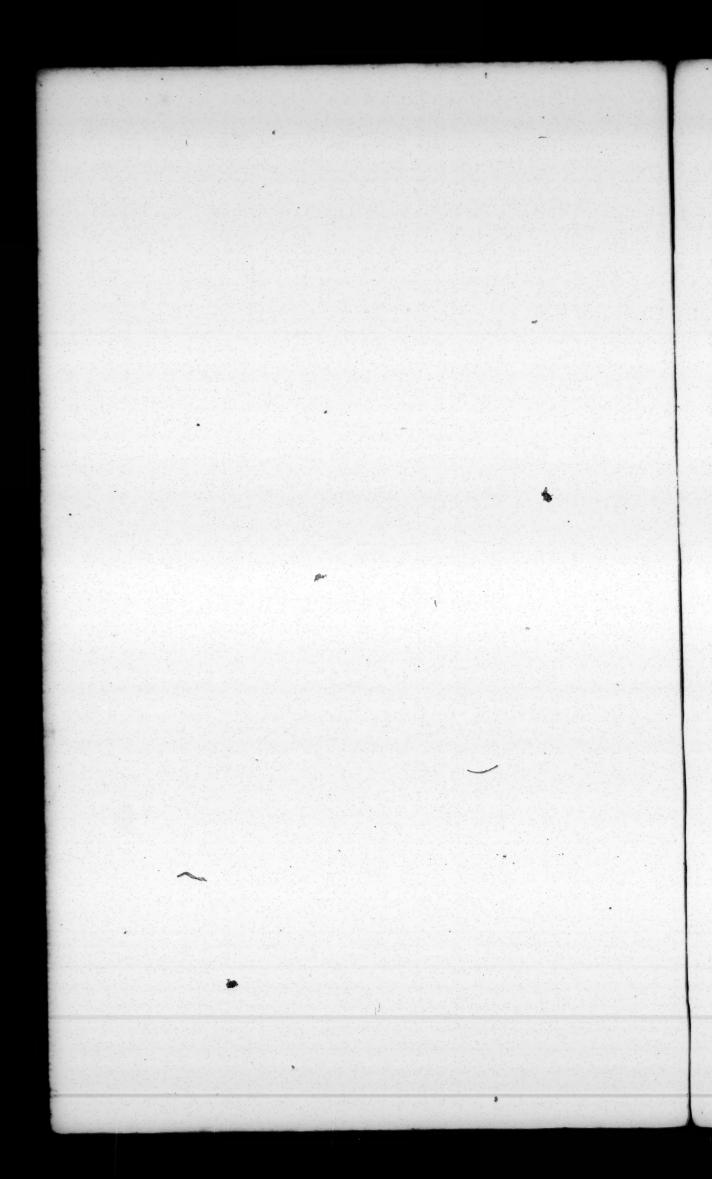
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#### PSALM I.

by ill Advice to walk;
Nor stands in Sinners Ways; nor sits
where Men profanely talk!

2 But makes the perfect Law of God his Business and Delight; Devoutly reads therein by Day,

and meditates by Night.

3 Like some fair Tree, which, fed by Streams with timely Fruit does bend,

He still shall flourish, and Success all his Designs attend.

4 Ungodly Men, and their Attempts, no lasting Root shall find; Untimely blasted, and dispers'd like Chass before the Wind.

5 Their Guilt shall strike the Wicked dumb before the Judge's Face:

No formal Hypocrite shall then among the Saints have Place.

6 For God approves the just Man's Ways; to Happiness they tend:

But Sinners, and the Paths they tread, shall both in Ruin end.

#### PSALM II.

Why in such rash Attempts engage,
as they can ne'er perform?

2 The Great in Counsel, and in Might, their various Forces bring;

Against the Lord they all unite, and his anointed King

3 "Must we submit to their Commands?"

presumptuously they say:

B "No

" No, let us break their flavish Bands, and cast their Chains away."

4 But God, who fits enthron'd on high, and fees how they combine,

Does their conspiring Strength defy, and mocks their vain Design.

5 Thick Clouds of Wrath divine shall break on his rebellious Foes;

And thus will he in Thunder speak to all that dare oppose:

6 "Though madly you dispute my Will, "the King that I ordain,

"Whose Throne is fix'd on Sion's Hill, 
fhall there securely reign."

7 Attend, O Earth, whilst I declare God's uncontroul'd Decree:

"Thou art my Son; this Day, my Heir, have I begotten thee.

8 "Ask, and receive thy full Demands; "thine shall the Heathen be:

"The utmost Limits of the Lands fhall be posses'd by thee.

9 Thy threat'ning Sceptre thou shalt shake, "and crush them ev'ry where;

" As maffy Bars of Iron break the Potter's brittle Ware."

10 Learn then, ye Princes; and give Ear, ye Judges of the Earth;

rejoice with awful Mirth.

your timely Homage pay; Left he revenge the bold Neglect,

incens'd by your Delay.

13 If but in Part his Anger rife,

who can endure the Flame?

Then bleft are they whose Hope relies on his most holy Name.

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#### PSALM III.

HOW num'rous, Lord, of late are grown the Troublers of my Peace!

And as their Numbers hourly rife, fo does their Rage increase.

2 Infulting, they my Soul upbraid, and him whom I adore:

The God in whom he trusts, say they, shall rescue him no more.

3 But thou, O Lord, art my Defence; on Thee my Hopes rely:
Thou art my Glory, and shalt yet lift up my Head on high.

4 Since whenfoe'er, in like Distress, to God I made my Pray'r He heard me from his holy Hill; why should I now despair?

granted by him, I laid me down my sweet Repose to take;

For I through him securely sleep, through him in Safety wake.

Mo Force nor Fury of my Foes my Courage shall confound,
Were there as many Hosts as Men,
that have beset me round.

7 Arise, and save me, O my God, who oft hast own'd my Cause, And scatter'd oft these Foes to me, and to thy righteous Laws.

8 Salvation to the Lord belongs; He only can defend:

His Bleffing he extends to all that on his Pow'r depend.

PSALM IV.

Lord, that art my righteous Judge,
to my Complaint give Ear.
Thou still redeem'st me from Distress:
Have Mercy, Lord, and hear.

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#### PSALM iv, v.

2 How long will ye, O Sons of Men, to blot my Fame, devise?

How long your vain Designs pursue, and spread malicious Lyes?

3 Consider that the righteous Man is God's peculiar Choice;

And when to him I make my Pray'r, he always hears my Voice.

4 Then stand in Awe of his Commands, flee ev'ry thing that's ill;

Commune in private with your Hearts, and bend them to his Will.

5° The Place of other Sacrifice let Righteousness supply;

And let your Hope, securely fix'd, on God alone rely.

6 While worldly Minds impatient grow more prosp'rous Times to see;

Still let the Glories of thy Face shine brightly, Lord, on me.

7 So shall my Heart o'erslow with Joy, more lasting, and more true,

Than theirs who Stores of Corn and Wine fuccessively renew.

8 Then down in Peace I'll lay my Head, and take my needful Rest:

No other Guard, O Lord, I crave, of thy Defence posses'd.

PSALM V.

I ORD, hear the Voice of my Complaint; accept my fecret Pray'r.

2 To thee alone, my King, my God, will I for Help repair.

3 Thou in the Morn my Voice shalt hear, and with the dawning Day
To thee devoutly I'll look up,
to thee devoutly pray.

4 For thou the Wrongs that I fustain canst never, Lord, approve,

Whe

Who from thy facred Dwelling-place all Evil dost remove.

5 Not long shall stubborn Fools remain unpunish'd in thy View;

All fuch as act unrighteous Things, thy Vengeance shall pursue.

6 The fland'ring Tongue, O God of Truth by thee shall be destroy'd;

Who hat'st alike the Man in Blood and in Deceit employ'd.

7 But when thy boundless Grace shall me to thy lov'd Courts restore,

On thee I'll fix my longing Eyes, and humbly there adore.

8 Conduct me by thy righteous Laws; for watchful is my Foe:

Therefore, O Lord, make plain the Way, wherein I ought to go.

9 Their Mouth vents nothing but Deceit; their Heart is set on Wrong;

Their Throat is a devouring Grave; they flatter with their Tongue.

oppress'd with Loads of Sin;

Fot they against thy righteous Laws have harden'd Rebels been.

uith Shouts their Joy proclaim;

Let them rejoice whom thou preserv'st, and all that love thy Name.

12 To righteous Men the righteous Lord his Bleffing will descend;

And with his Favour all his Saints, as with a Shield, defend.

PSALM VI.

I THY dreadful Anger, Lord, restrain, and spare a Wretch forlorn; Correct me not in thy sierce Wrath, too heavy to be borne.

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2 Have

2 Have Mercy, Lord; for I grow faint; unable to endure

The Anguish of my aching Bones, which thou alone canst cure.

3 My tortur'd Flesh distracts my Mind, and fills my Soul with Grief:

But, Lord, how long wilt thou delay to grant me thy Relief?

4 Thy wonted Goodness, Lord, repeat, and ease my troubled Soul:

Lord, for thy wond'rous Mercies fake, vouchfafe to make me whole.

thy glorious Acts proclaim:
No Pris'ner of the filent Grave

can magnify thy Name.

6 Quite tir'd with Pain, with groaning faint;
No Hope of Ease I see:

The Night that quiets common Griefs, is spent in Tears by me.

7 My Beauty fades, my Sight grows dim, my Eyes with Weakness close;

Old Age o'ertakes me, whilft I think on my infulting Foes.

8 Depart, ye Wicked; in my Wrongs ye shall no more rejoice;

For God, I find, accepts my Tears, and listens to my Voice.

9, 10 He hears, and grants my humble Pray'r; and they that wish my Fall,

Shall blush and rage to see that God protects me from them all.

PSALM VII.

TO LORD, my God, fince I have plac'd my Trust alone in Thee,
From all my Persecutors Rage do thou deliver me.

2 To fave me from my threat'ning Foe, Lord, interpose thy Pow'r;

Left

Lest, like a favage Lion, he my helples Soul devour.

3, 4 If I am guilty, or did e'er against his Peace combine;

Nay, if I have not spar'd his Life, who sought unjustly mine;

5 Let then to perfecuting Foes my Soul become a Prey;

Let them to Earth tread down my Life, In Dust my Honour lay.

6 Arise, and let thy Anger, Lord, in my Defence engage;

Exalt thyself above my Foes and their insulting Rage:

Awake, awake, in my behalf, the Judgment to dispence,

Which thou hast righteously ordain'd for injur'd Innocence.

7 So to thy Throne adoring Crouds shall still for Justice sty:

O! therefore, for their Sakes, refume thy Judgment-Seat on high.

8 Impartial Judge of all the World, I trust my Cause to thee; According to my Just Deserts, so let thy Sentence be.

9 Let wicked Arts, and wicked Men, together be o'erthrown;

But guard the Just, thou God to whom the Hearts of both are known.

10, 11 God me protects; not only me, but all of upright Heart;

And daily lays up Wrath for those who from his Laws depart.

12 If they perfift, he whets his Sword, his Bow stands ready bent;

13 Ev'n now, with swift Destruction wing'd. his pointed Shafts are sent.

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14 The

14 The Plots are fruitless, which my Foe unjustly did conceive:

15 The Pit he digg'd for me, has prov'd his own untimely Grave.

16 On his own Head his Spite returns, whilst I from Harm am free:

On him the Violence is fall'n, which he defign'd for me.

17 Therefore will I the righteous Ways of Providence proclaim;

I'll sing the Praise of God most High, and celebrate his Name.

#### PSALM VIII.

Thou to whom all Creatures bow within this Earthly Frame,
Thro' all the World how great art thou!
how glorious is thy Name!
In Heav'n thy wond'rous Aets are fung,

nor fully reckon'd there;

2 And yet thou mak'ft the infant Tongue thy boundless Praise declare.

Thro' thee the Weak confound the Strong, and crush their haughty Foes;

And so thou quell'st the wicked Throng, that Thee and Thine oppose.

3 When Heav'n thy beauteous Work on high, employs my wond'ring Sight;

The Moon, that nightly rules the Sky, with Stars of feebler Light;

What's Man, fay I, that, Lord, thou lovst to keep him in thy Mind

Or what's his Offspring, that thou provift to them fo wond'rous kind?

5 Him next in Pow'r thou didst create to thy celestial Train,

6 Ordain'd with Dignity and State o'er all thy Works to reign.

7 They jointly own his pow'rful Sway, the Beafts that prey or graze;

8 The

8 The Bird that wing its airy Way; the Fish that cuts the Seas.

O thou to whom all Creatures bow within this earthly Frame,

Thro' all the World how great art Thou!
how glorious is thy Name!
PSALMIX.

To all the lift'ning World thy Works,

thy wond'rous Works, declare.

2 The Thought of them shall to my Soul exalted Pleasure bring;

Whilst to thy Name, O thou most High, triumphant Praise I sing.

3 Thou mad'ft my haughty Foes to turn their Backs in shameful Flight:

Struck with thy Presence, down they fell; they perish'd at thy Sight.

4 Against insulting Foes advanc'd, thou didst my Cause maintain,

My Right afferting from thy Throne, where Truth and Justice reign.

5 The Infolence of Heathen Pride thou hast reduc'd to Shame;

Their wicked Offspring quite destroy'd, and blotted out their Name.

6 Mistaken Foes, your haughty Threats are to a Period come:

Our City stands, which you design'd to make our common Tomb.

7, 8 The Lord for ever lives, who has his righteous Throne prepar'd, Impartial Justice to dispence,

to punish or reward.

God is a constant sure Desence
 against oppressing Rage:
 As Troubles rise, his needful Aids

in our Behalf engage.

to All those who have his Goodness prov'd will in his Truth confide;

Whose Mercy ne'er forsook the Man that on his Help rely'd.

11 Sing Praises therefore to the Lord. From Sion, his Abode;

Proclaim his Deeds, till all the World confess no other God.

PART II.

He'll call the Poor to mind; The injur'd humble Man's Complaint

Relief from him shall find.

13 Take Pity on my Troubles, Lord, which spiteful Foes create,

Thou that hast rescu'd me so oft from Death's devouring Gate.

14 In Sion then I'll fing thy Praise to all that love thy Name;

And with loud Shouts of grateful Joy thy faving Pow'r proclaim.

15 Deep in the Pit they digg'd for me, the Heathen Pride is laid;

Their guilty Feet to their own Snare insensibly betray'd.

16 Thus, by the just Returns he makes, the mighty Lord is known;

While wicked Men by their own Plots are shamefully o'erthrown.

17 No fingle Sinner shall escape,

by Privacy obscur'd; Nor Nation, from his just Revenge,

by Numbers be fecur'd.

18 His fuff'ring Saints, when most distress'd, he ne'er forgets to aid:

Their Expectations shall be Crown'd tho' for a Time delay'd.

19 Arise, O Lord, affert thy Pow'r and let not Man o'ercome;

Descend

Descend to Judgment, and pronounce the guilty Heathens Doom.

20 Strike Terror through the Nations round, till, by consenting Fear,

They to each other, and themselves, but mortal Men appear.

PSALM X.

THY Presence why withdraw'st thou, Lord? why hid'st thou now thy Face, When dismal Times of deep Distress call for thy wonted Grace?

2 The Wicked, swell'd with lawless Pride, have made the Poor their Prey:

O let them fall by those Designs which they for others lay:

3 For strait they triumph, if Success their thriving Crimes attend;

And fordid Wretches, whom God hates, preverfly they commend.

4 To own a Pow'r above themselves, their haughty Pride disdains;

And therefore in their stubborn Mind no Thought of God remains.

oppressive Methods they pursue, and all their Foes they slight;
Because thy Judgments unobserv'd

are far above their Sight.

6 They fondly think their prosp'rous State shall unmolested be;

They think their vain Designs shall thrive from all Missortune free.

7 Vain and deceitful is their Speech, with Curses fill'd, and Lyes:

By which the Mischief of their Heart they study to disguise.

8 Near public Roads they lie conceal'd, and all their Art employ,

The Innocent and Poor at once to rifle and destroy.

9 Not

9 Not Lions couching in their Dens, furprise their heedless Prey With greater Cunning, or express

more favage Rage, than they.

and modest Looks they wear;
That, so deceiv'd, the Poor may less
their sudden Onset fear.

PART II.

of their unrighteous Deeds;
He never minds the fuff'ring Poor,

nor their Oppression heeds.

12 But thou, O Lord, at length arise, stretch forth thy mighty Arm; And, by the Greatness of thy Pow'r defend the Poor from Harm.

13 No longer let the Wicked vaunt, and, proudly boafting, fay,

"Tush, God regards not what we do; "he never will repay."

14 But, fure, thou feeft, and all their Deeds impartially dost try:

The Orphan therefore, and the Poor, on thee for Aid rely.

of a 1 their Strength bereft:

Confound, O God, their dark Designs, till no Remains are left.

16 Affert thy just Dominion, Lord, which shall for ever stand;

Thou, who the Heathen didst expel from this thy chosen Land.

17 Thou dost the humble Suppliants hear, that to thy Throne repair;

Thou first prepar'st their Hearts to pray, and then accept'st their Pray'r.

18 Thou, in thy righteous Judgment, weigh'st the Fatherless and Poor;

That

That so the Tyrants of the Earth, may persecute no more,

PSALM XI.

SINCE I have plac'd my Trust in God, a Refuge always nigh,
Why should I like a tim'rous Bird,
to distant Mountains sly?

2 Behold the Wicked bend their Bow, and ready fix their Dart,

Lurking in Ambush to destroy the Man of upright Heart.

When once the firm Assurance fails, which public Faith imparts,
Tis time for Innocence to fly from such deceitful Arts.

4 The Lord hath both a Temple here, and righteous Throne above;

Where he furveys the Sons of Men, and how their Counfels move.

for Trial coes correct,

What must the Sons of Violence, whom he abhors, expect?

6 Snares, Fire, and Brimstone, on their Heads shall in one Tempest show'r;

This dreadful Mixture his Revenge into their Cup shall pour.

7. The righteous Lord will righteous Deeds with fignal Favour grace;

And to the upright Man disclose the Brightness of his Face.

PSALM XII.

SINCE godly Men decay, O Lord,
do thou my Cause defend;
For scarce these wretched Times afford
one just and faithful Friend.

2 One Neighbour now can scarce believe what t'other does impart:

With

With flatt'ring Lips they all deceive, and with a double Heart.

3 But Lips that with Deceit abound, can never prosper long:

Gods righteous Vengeance will confound the proud blaspheming Tongue.

4 In vain those foolish Boasters say, "our Tongues are sure our own;

"With doubtful Words we'll still betray, and be controul'd by none."

5 For God, who hears the fuff'ring Poor, and their Oppression knows,

Will foon arise, and give them Rest, in spite of all their Foes.

6 The Word of God shall still abide, and void of Falshood be,

As is the Silver sev'n times try'd, from drosfy Mixture free.

7 The Promise of his aiding Grace shall reach its purpos'd End:

His Servants from this faithless Race, he ever shall defend.

8 Then shall the Wicked be perplex'd, nor know which Way to fly;

When those whom they despis'd and vex'd, shall be advanc'd on high.

PSALM XIII.

How long wilt thou forget me, Lord?

How long wilt thou withdraw from me,
Oh, never to return?

2 How long shall anxious Thoughts my Soul, and Grief my Heart oppress? How long my Enemies infult,

and I have no redress?

3 Oh, hear! and to my longing Eyes
restore thy wonted Light;
And suddenly, or I shall sleep
in everlasting Night.

A Restore me, lest they proudly boast 'twas their own Strength o'ercame: Permit not them that vex my Soul, to triumph in my Shame.

5 Since I have always plac'd my Trust beneath thy Mercy's Wing,

Thy faving Health will come; and then my Heart with Joy shall spring.

6 Then shall my Song, with Praise inspired, to Thee, my God, ascend.

Who, to thy Servant in Distress, such Bounty didst extend.

PSALM XIV.

SURE, wicked Fools must needs suppose, that God is nothing but a Name: Corrupt and lewd their Practice grows; no Breast is warm'd with holy Flame.

2 The Lord look'd down from Heav'n's high and all the Sons of Men did view, [Tow'r,

To see if any own'd his Pow'r, if any Truth or Justice knew.

But all, he faw, were gone afide, all were degen'rate grown, and base: None took Religion for their Guide, not one of all the finful Race.

4 But can these Workers of Deceit be all so dull and senseless grown, That they, like Bread, my People eat, and God's Almighty Pow'r disown?

5 How will they tremble then for Fear, when his just Wrath shall them o'ertake; For to the Righteous God is near.

For to the Righteous God is near, and never will their Cause forsake.

6 Ill Men, in vain, with Scorn expose those Methods which the Good pursue; Since God a Refuge is for those whom his just Eyes with Favour view.

7 Would he his faving Pow'r employ, to break his People's fervile Band;

Then

Then Shouts of universal Joy should loudly echo thro' the Land. PSALM XV.

ORD, who's the happy Man, that may to thy bleft Courts repair; Not, Stranger-like, to visit them,

but to inhabit there?

2 'Tis he, whose ev'ry Thought and Deed by Rules of Virtue moves;

Whose gen'rous Tongue disdains to speak the Thing his Heart disproves.

3 Who never did a Slander forge, his Neighbour's Fame to wound;

Nor hearken to a false Report, by Malice whisper'd round.

4 Who Vice, in all its Pomp and Pow'r, can treat with just Neglect;

And Piety, tho' cloath'd in Rags, religiously respect.

Who to his plighted Vows and Trust has ever firmly flood;

And tho' he promise to his loss, he makes his Promise good.

5 Whose Soul in Usury disdains his Treasure to employ;

Whom no Rewards can ever bribe, the Guiltless to destroy.

The Man, who by his fleady Course has Happiness ensur'd,

When Earth's Foundation shakes, shall stand, by Providence fecur'd.

PSALM XVI.

Rotect me from my cruel Foes, and shield me, Lord, from Harm; Because my Trust I still repose on thy Almighty Arm.

2 My Soul all Help but thine does flight,

all Gods but Thee disown;

Yet can no Deeds of mine requite the Goodness thou hast shown.

3 But those that strictly virtuous are, and love the Thing that's right, To favour always, and prefer, shall be my chief Delight.

4 How shall their Sorrows be increas'd who other Gods adore!

Their bloody Off'rings I deteft, their very Names abhor.

where God is truly known:

He fills my Cup with lib'ral Hand, 'tis He supports my Throne.

6 In Nature's most delightful Scene my happy Portion lies;

The Place of my appointed Reign all other Lands outvies.

7 Therefore my Soul shall bless the Lord, whose Precepts give me Light,

And private Counsel still afford, in Sorrows dismal Night.

8 I strive each Action to approve to his all-seeing Eye;

No danger shall my Hopes remove, because He still is nigh.

9 Therefore my Heart all Grief desies, my Glory does rejoice:

My Flesh shall rest, in Hopes to rise, wak'd by his pow'rful Voice.

my Soul from Hell shalt free;
Nor let thy Holy one in Death

the least Corruption see.

II Thou shalt the Paths of Life display, which to thy Presence lead;

Where Pleasures dwell without Allay, and Joys that never fade.

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#### PSALM XVII.

O my just Plea, and fad Complaint, attend, O righteous Lord; And to my Pray'r, as 'tis unfeign'd,

a gracious Ear afford.

2 As in thy Sight I am approv'd, fo let my Sentence be;

And with impartial Eyes, O Lord, my upright Dealing see.

3 For thou hast search'd my Heart by Day, and visited by Night;

And, on the strictest Trial, found its fecret Motions right.

Nor shall thy Justice, Lord, alone my Heart's Deligns acquit;

For I have purpos'd, that my Tongue shall no Offence commit.

4 I know what wicked Men would do, their Safety to maintain;

But me thy just and mild Commands from bloody Paths restrain.

5 That I may still, in spite of Wrongs, my Innocence fecure,

O guide me in thy righteous Ways, and make my Footsteps fure.

6 Since, heretofore, I ne'er in vain to Thee my Pray'r address'd;

O! now, my God, incline thine Ear to this my just Request.

7 The Wonders of thy Truth and Love in my Defence engage;

Thou, whose Right-hand preserves thy Saints from their Oppressors Rage. PART II.

8, 9 O! keep me in thy tend'rest Care; thy shelt'ring Wings stretch out, To guard me fafe from favage Foes, that compais me about:

10 O'er

10 O'ergrown with Luxury, inclos'd in their own Fat they lie;

And with a proud blaspheming Mouth both God and Men defy.

my Paths encompass'd round,

Their Eyes at watch, their Bodies bow'd and couching on the Ground;

12 In Posture of a Lion set, when greedy of his Prey;

Or a young Lion, when he lurks within a covert Way.

13 Arise, O Lord, defeat their Plots, their swelling Rage controul:

From wicked Men, who are thy Sword, deliver thou my Soul:

14 From worldly Men, thy sharpest Scourge, whose Portion's here below;

Who fill'd with earthly Stores, aspire no other Bliss to know.

Their Race is num'rous, that partake their Substance while they live;

Their Heirs survive, to whom they may the vast Remainder give.

16 But I, in Uprightness, thy Face shall view without Controul:

And waking, shall its Image find reflected in my Soul.

PSALM XVIII.

1, 2 NO Change of Times shall ever shock my firm Affection, Lord, to Thee;

For thou hast always been a Rock, a Fortress and Defence to me.

Thou my Deliv'rer art, my God; my Trust is in thy mighty Pow'r:

Thou art my Shield from Foes abroad, at home my Safeguard, and my Tow'r.

2 3 To

3 To Thee I'll still address my Pray'r (to whom all Praise we justly owe); So shall I, by thy watchful Care, be guarded from my treach'rous Foe.

4, 5 By Floods of wicked Men diftres'd, with deadly Sorrows compass'd round, With dire infernal Pangs oppres'd,

in Death's unwieldy Fetters bound,

6 To Heav'n I made my mournful Pray'r, to God address'd my humble Moan; Who graciously inclin'd his Ear, and heard me from his losty Throne.

PART II.

7 When God arose, to take my Part, the conscious Earth did quake for sear; From their firm Posts the Hills did start, nor could his dreadful Fury bear.

8 Thick Clouds of Smeke dispers'd abroad, Ensigns of Wrath before Him came; Devouring Fire around him glow'd,

that Coals were kindled at its Flame.

9 He left the beauteous Realms of Light, whilft Heav'n bow'd down its awful Head; Beneath his Feet substantial Light, was, like a sable Carpet, spread.

which active Troops of Angels drew, On a strong Tempest's rapid Wings,

with most amazing Swiftness, flew.

with thickest Shades, his Face to veil;
But at his Brightness soon retir'd,

and fell in Show'rs of Fire and Hail.

God's angry Voice, did loudly roar;
While Earth's fad Face with Heaps of Hail,
and Flakes of Fire, was cover'd o'er.

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which made his fcatter'd Foes retreat:

Like Darts his nimble Lightning flew, and quickly finish'd their Defeat.

The Deep its fecret Stores disclos'd, the World's Foundations naked lay;

By his avenging Wrath expos'd, which fiercely rag'd that dreadful Day.

PART III.

from Heav'n, His Throne, my Cause upheld;
And snatch'd me from the surious Rage
of threatning Waves, that proudly swell'd.

my strongest Foes Attempts to break;
Who else with Ease had soon destroy'd
the weak Desence that I could make.

when I diffres'd and friendless lay;

But still, when other Succours fail'd, God was my firm Support and Stay.

He brought me forth, and set me free;
For some just Cause His Goodness sound
that mov'd Him to delight in me.

God does his gracious Help extend:
My Hands are free from bloody Stains;
therefore the Lord is still my Friend.

21, 22 For I his Judgments kept in Sight, in His Just Paths have always trod;

I never did his Statutes slight, nor loosely wander'd from my God.

23, 24 But still my Soul, sincere and pure, did ev'n from darling Sins refrain:
His Favours therefore yet endure,

because my Heart and Hands are clean.

#### PART IV.

25, 26 Thou suit'st, O Lord, thy righteous Ways to various Paths of human Kind:
They who for Mercy merit Praise, with Thee shall wond'rous Mercy find.

Thou to the Just shall Justice show; the Pure thy Purity shall see;

Such as perversly choose to go, shall meet with due Returns from Thee,

27, 28 That He the humble Soul will fave, and crush the Haughty's boasted Might, In me the Lord an Instance gave,

whose Darkness he has turn'd to Light,

29 On his firm Succour I rely'd, and did o'er num'rous Foes prevail; Nor fear'd, whilst he was on my Side, the best-defended Walls to scale.

30 For God's Designs shall still succeed; His Word will bear the utmost Test:

He's a strong Shield to all that need, and on his sure Protection rest.

or who, except the mighty Lord, can with resistless Pow'r defend?

PART V.

32, 33 'Tis God that girds my Armour on, and all my just Designs sulfils; Thro' him my Feet can swiftly run, and nimbly climb the steepest Hills.

and manly Weapons learn to wield; Strong Bows of Steel with Ease I break, forc'd by my stronger Arms to yield,

protects me from infulting Foes:
His Hand fustains me still; my Wealth

and Greatness from His Bounty flows.

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36 My goings He enlarg'd abroad, till then to narrow Paths confin'd; And when in slipp'ry Ways I trod, the Method of my Steps design'd.

37 Thro' Him I num'rous Hosts defeat, and slying Squadrons captive take; Nor from my fierce Pursuit retreat,

till I a final Conquest make.

38 Cover'd with Wounds, in vain they try their vanquish'd Heads again to rear: Spite of their boasted Strength, they lie beneath my Feet, and grovel there.

39 God, when fresh Armies take the Field, recruits my Strength, my Courage warms:

He makes my Strong Opposers yield, fubda'd by my prevailing Arms.

40 Thro' him, the Necks of prostrate Foes my conqu'ring Feet in Triumph press:

Aided by him I root out those who hate and envy my Success.

41 With loud Complaints all Friends they try'd; but none was able to defend:

At length to God for Help they cry'd; but God would no Assistance lend.

their broken Troops I fcatter'd round:
Their flaughter'd Bodies forth I threw,
like loathsome Dirt that clogs the Ground.

PART VI.

by God's Appointment, me obey:
The Heathens to my Sceptre bow,
and foreign Nations own my Sway.

when my fuccessful Name they hear; Stangers for my Commands attend, charm'd with Respect, or aw'd by Fear.

45 All to my Summons tamely yield, or foon in Battle are difmay'd:

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For stronger Holds they quit the Field and still in strongest Holds afraid.

46 Let the eternal Lord be prais'd, the Rock, on whose Defence I rest!

O'er highest Heav'ns His Name be rais'd, who me with His Salvation bless'd!

47 'Tis God that still supports my Right;
His just Revenge my Foes pursues;
'Tis He, that, with resistless Might,
sierce Nations to my Yoke subdues.

48 My univerfal Safeguard, He!
from whom my lafting Honours flow;
He made me great, and fet me free
from my remorfeless bloody Foe.

my grateful Voice to Heav'n I'll raise; And Nations, Strangers to His Name,. Thall thus be taught to sing His Praise.

50 "God to his King Deliv'rance fends; "fhews his Anointed fignal Grace:

"His Mercy evermore extends
to David and his promis'd Race."
PSALM XIX.

THE Heav'ns declare thy Glory, Lord, which that alone can fill;
The Firmament and Stars express

their great Creator's Skill.

2 The Dawn of each returning Day fresh Beams of Knowledge brings; From darkest Night's successive Rounds divine Instruction springs.

3 Their pow'rful Language to no Realm

or Region is confin'd;

Tis Nature's Voice, and understood alike by all Mankind.

4 Their Doctrine does its facred Sense thro' Earth's Extent display;

Whose bright Contents the circling Sun does round the World convey.

5 No

5 No Bridegroom, for his Nuptials dress'd, has such a chearful Face:

No Giant doth like him rejoice to run his glorious Race.

6 From East to West, from West to East, his restless Course he goes;

And, thro' his Progress, chearful Light, and vital Warmth, bestows.

PART II.

7 God's perfect Law converts the Soul; reclaims from false Desires;

With facred Wisdom his fure Word the Ignorant inspires.

8 The Statutes of the Lord are just, and bring fincere Delight:

His pure Commands in Search of Truth affift the feeblest Sight.

9 His perfect Worship here is fix'd, on sure Foundations laid:

His equal Laws are in the Scales of Truth and Justice weigh'd:

or Gold refin'd with Skill;

More sweet than Honey, or the Drops that from the Comb distil.

and friendly Warnings give;
Divine Rewards attend on those

who by thy Precepts live.

12 But what frail Man observes how oft he does from Virtue fall?

O, cleanse me from my secret Faults, Thou God that know'st them all.

13 Let no presumptuous Sin, O Lord, Dominion have o'er me;

That, by thy Grace preserv'd, I may the great Transgression slee.

with thy Acceptance bleft;

And I fecure on thy Defence, my Strength and Saviour, rest. PSALM XX.

THE Lord to thy Request attend, and hear thee in Distress;
The Name of Jacob's God defend, and grant thy Arms Success.

2 To aid thee from on High repair, and Strength from Sion give;

3 Remember all thy Off'rings there, thy Sacrifice receive.

4 To compass thy own Heart's Desire thy Counsels still direct;

May kindly all Events conspire to bring them to Effect.

5 To thy Salvation, Lord, for Aid, we chearfully repair,

With Banners in thy Name display'd;
"The Lord accept thy Pray'r."

6 Our Hopes are fix'd, that now the Lord our Sov'reign will defend;

From Heav'n resistles Aid afford, and to his Pray'r attend.

7 Some trust in Steeds, for War design'd; on Chariots some rely:

Against them all we'll call to Mind the Pow'r of God most High.

8 But, from their Steeds and Chariots thrown behold them thro' the Plain,

Disorder'd, broke, and trampled down, whilst firm our Troops remain.

9 Still fave us, Lord, and still proceed our rightful Cause to bless:

Hear, King of Heav'n, in Times of Need, the Pray'rs that we address.

PSALM XXI.

THE King, O Lord, with Songs of Praise, shall in thy Strength rejoice With

With thy Salvation crown'd, shall raise to Heav'n his chearful Voice.

2 For Thou whate'er his Lips request, not only dost impart;

But hast, with thy Acceptance, blest the Wishes of his Heart.

3 Thy Goodness, and thy tender Care, have all his Hopes outgone;

A Crown of Gold Thou mad'ft him wear, and fett'dft it firmly on.

4 He pray'd for Life; and Thou, O Lord, didft his short Span extend, And graciously to him afford

a Life that ne'er shall end.

5 Thy sure Desence thro' Nations round

has spread his glorious Name; And his successful Actions crown'd with Majesty and Fame.

6 Eternal Bleffings thou bestow'st, and mak'st his Joys increase;

Whilst Thou to him, unclouded showst the Brightness of thy Face.

PART II.

7 Because the King on God alone

for timely Aid relies;
His Mercy still supports his T

His Mercy still supports his Throne, and all his Wants supplies,

8 But, righteous Lord, thy stubborn Foes shall feel thy heavy Hand;

Thy vengeful Arm shall find out those that hate thy mild Command.

9 When Thou against them dost engage, thy just, but dreadful Doom

Shall, like a glowing Oven's Rage, their Hopes and them confume.

or with their Ruin end;

But root out all their guilty Race, and to their Seed extend.

their Hearts on Malice bent;
But Thou with watchful Care didft still

the ill Effects prevent.

12 In vain by shameful Flight they'll try to 'scape thy dreadful Might,

While thy swift Darts shall faster fly, and gall them in their Flight.

13 Thus, Lord, thy wond'rous Strength disclose, and thus exalt thy Fame;

Whilst we glad Songs of Praise compose to thy Almighty Name.

PSALM XXII.

Y God, my God, why leav'st Thou me
when I with Anguish faint?

O, why fo far from me remov'd, and from my loud Complaint?

2 All Day, but all the Day unheard, to Thee do I complain;

With Cries implore Relief all Night, but cry all Night in vain.

3 Yet thou art still my righteous Judge of Innocence oppress'd;

And therefore Israel's Praises are of Right to Thee address'd.

4, 5 On Thee our Ancestors rely'd, and thy Deliv'rance found; With pious Confidence they pray'd,

and with Success were crown'd.

6 But I am treated like a Worm; like none of human Birth:

Not only by the Great revil'd, but made the Rabble's Mirth.

7 With Laughter all the gazing Croud my Agonies survey;

They shoot the Lip, they shake the Head, and thus deriding say:

8 " In God he trusted, boasting oft, "that he was Heav'n's Delight;

" Let

"Let God come down to fave him now, "and own his Favourite."

PART II.

9 Thou mad'st my teeming Mother's Womb a living Offspring bear:

When but a Suckling at the Breast, I was thy early Care.

10 Thou, Guardian-like, didst shield from Wrongs my helples Infant Days;

And fince haft been my God, and Guide thro' Life's bewilder'd Ways.

when Trouble is so nigh:

Oh, send me Help! thy Help, on which I only can rely.

12 High-pamper'd Bulls, a frowning Herd, from Basan's Forest met,

With Strength proportion'd to their Rage, have me around beset.

13 They gape on me, and ev'ry Mouth a yawning Grave appears; The defert Lion's favage Roar

less dreadful is than theirs.

PART III.

are rack'd, and out of Frame;
My Heart dissolves within my Breast,

like Wax before the Flame,

my Tongue cleaves to my Jaws;
And to the filent Shades of Death

my fainting Soul withdraws.

16 Like Blood-hounds, to furround me, they

in pack'd Affembles meet; They peirc'd my inoffensive Hands, they peirc'd my harmles Feet.

17 My Body's rack'd, till all my Bones distinctly may be told:

Yet

Yet fuch a Spectacle of Woe as Pastime they behold.

18 As Spoil, my Garments they divide, Lots for my Vesture cast.

19 Therefore approach, O Lord, my Strength, and to my Succour hafte.

20 From their sharp Sword protect thou me; of all, but Life, bereft!

Nor let my Darling in the Pow'r of cruel Dogs be left.

21 To fave me from the Lions Jaws, thy present Succour send; As once, from goring Unicorns thou didst my Life defend.

the Triumphs of thy Name;
In Presence of Assembled Saints,

thy Glory thus Proclaim:
23 "Ye Worshippers of Jacob's God,

" all you of Israel's Line,
" O praise the Lord; and, to your Praise,

"fincere Obedience join.
24 "He ne'er disdain'd on low Distress

to cast a gracious Eye;

"Nor turn'd from Poverty his Face, but hears its humble Cry."

PART IV.

my chearful Thanks express;
In Presence of thy Saints perform
the Vows of my Distress.

26 The meek Companions of my Grief fhall find my Table spread;

And all, that feek the Lord, shall be with Joys immortal fed.

27 Then shall the glad converted World to God their Homage pay; And scatter'd Nations of the Earth one Sov'reign Lord obey.

28 'Tis

28 'Tis His supreme Prerogative o'er subject Kings to reign:

'Tis just, that he should rule the World, who does the World sustain.

29 The Rich, who are with Plenty fed, His Bounty must confess:

The Sons of Want, by Him reliev'd, their gen'rous Patron bless.

With humble Worship, to his Throne, they all for Aid resort:

That Pow'r, which first their Beings gave, can only them support.

30, 31 Then shall a chosen spotless Race, devoted to his Name,

To their admiring Heirs, His Truth, and glorious Acts, proclaim.

PSALM XXIII.

THE Lord himself, the mighty Lord, vouchsafes to be my Guide;

The Shepherd, by whose constant Care my Wants are all supply'd.

2 In tender Grass He makes me feed, and gently there repose;

Then leads me to cool Shades, and where refreshing Water flows.

3 He does my wand'ring Soul reclaim, and to his endless Praise,

Instruct with humble Zeal to walk in his most righteous Ways.

4 I pass the gloomy Vale of Death, from Fear and Danger free;

For there his aiding Rod and Staff defend and comfort me.

5 In Presence of my spiteful Foes He does my Table spread:

He crowns my Cup with chearful Wine, with Oil anoints my Head.

6 Since God doth thus His wond'rous Love through all my Life extend,

That

That Life to him I will devote. and in his Temple spend.

PSALM XXIV.

'HIS spacious Earth is all the Lord's: the Lord's her Fulness is: The World, and they that dwell therein, by Sov'reign Right are His.

2 He fram'd and fix'd it on the Seas; and His Almighty Hand

Upon inconstant Floods has made the stable Fabric stand.

3 But for Himself this Lord of All one chosen Seat design'd.

O! who shall to that facred Hill deserv'd Admittance find!

4 The Man whose Hands and Heart are pure whose Thoughts from Pride are free;

Who honest Poverty prefers to gainful Perjury.

5 This, this is he, on whom the Lord shall show'r his Blessings down;

Whom God his Saviour shall vouchsafe with Righteousness to crown.

6 Such is the Race of Saints by whom the facred Courts are trod;

And fuch the Profelytes that feek the Face of Jacob's God.

7 Erect your Heads, eternal Gates; unfold, to entertain

The King of Glory: See! He comes with His Celestial Train.

8 Who is this King of Glory? Who; The Lord for Strength renown'd;

In Battle mighty; o'er His Foes eternal Victor crown'd.

9 Erect your Heads, ye Gates; unfold in State to entertain

The King of Glory: See! he comes with all his faining Train.

10 Whe

The Lord of Hosts renown'd;
Of Glory he alone is King,
Who is with Glory crown'd.

PSALM XXV.
OGod, in whom I trust,
I lift my Heart and Voice;

O! let me not be put to Shame, nor let my Foes rejoice.

3 Those who on Thee rely, let no Disgrace attend:

Be that the shameful Lot of such as wilfully offend.

4, 5 To me thy Truth impart, and lead me in thy Way:

For thou art He that brings me Help; on Thee I wait all Day.

6 Thy Mercies, and thy Love,
O Lord, recal to Mind;

And graciously continue still, as thou wert ever, kind.

7 Let all my youthful Crimes be blotted out by Thee;

And, for thy wond'rous Goodness' sake, in Mercy think on me.

8 His Mercy, and his Truth, the righteous Lord displays,

In bringing wand'ring Sinners home and teaching them his Ways.

9 He those in Justice guides, who his Direction seek;

And in his facred Paths shall lead the Humble and the Meek.

to Thro' all the Ways of God both Truth and Mercy thine, To such, as with religious Hearts, to his blest Will incline.

## PART II.

that mosts exalts thy Fame;
Forgive my heinous Sin, O Lord,
and so advance thy Name.

to God his Duty pays,

Shall find the Lord a faithful Guide, in all his righteous Ways.

13 His quiet Soul with Peace fhall be for ever bless'd;

And by his num'rous Race the Land fuccessively posses'd.

14 For God to all his Saints his fecret Will imparts,

And does his gracious Cov'nant write in their obedient Hearts.

15 To him I lift my Eyes, and wait his timely Aid,

Who breaks the strong and treach'rous Snare which for my Feet was laid.

16 Oh! turn, and all my Griefs, in Mercy, Lord, redrefs;

For I am compass'd round with Woes, and plung'd in deep Distress.

17 The Sorrows of my Heart to mighty Sums increase;

O! from this dark and difmal State my troubled Soul release!

18 Do Thou, with tender Eyes my fad Affliction fee;

Acquit me, Lord, and from my Guilt intirely fet me free.

19 Consider, Lord, my Foes, how vast their Numbers grow!

What lawless Force and Rage they use, what boundless Hate they show!

20 Protect, and fet my Soul from their fierce Malice free;

Nor

Nor let me be asham'd, who place my stedfast Trust in Thee.

21 Let all my righteous Acts to full Perfection rife;

Because my firm and constant Hope on Thee alone relies.

22 To Ifrael's chosen Race continue ever kind;

And in the midst of all their Wants, let them thy Succour find.

PSALM XXVI.

JUDGE me, O Lord; for I the Paths of Righteousness have trod:
I cannot fail, who all my Trust

repose on Thee my God.

2, 3 Search, prove my Heart, whose Innocence will shine the more 'tis try'd;

For I have kept thy Grace in View, and made thy Truth my Guide.

4 I never for Companions took the Idle or Profane;

No Hypocrite with all his Arts, could e'er my Friendship gain.

5 I hate the busy plotting Crew, who make distracted Times;

And shun their wicked Company, as I avoid their Crimes.

and bring a Heart fo pure,

That when thy Altar I approach, my Welcome shall secure.

7, 8 My Thanks I'll publish there, and tell how thy Renown excels:

That Seat affords me most Delight, in which thy Honour dwells.

9 Pass not on me the Sinners Doom, who Murder make their Trade;

10 Who others Rights, by fecret Bribes, or open Force, invade.

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11 But

and Innocence pursue:

Protect me, therefore, and to me thy Mercies, Lord, renew.

12 In spite of all assaulting Foes, I still maintain my Ground;

And shall survive among thy Saints, thy Praises to resound.

PSALM XXVII.

WHOM should I fear, since God to me is saving Health and Light?

Since strongly he my Life supports, what can my Soul affright?

2 With fierce Intent my Flesh to tear, when Foes beset me round,

They stumbl'd, and their haughty Crests were made to strike the Ground.

3 Thro' him, my Heart, undaunted, dares with num'rous Hosts to cope:

Thro' him, in doubtful Streights of War, for good Success I hope.

4 Henceforth, within his House to dwell
I earnestly defire;

His wond'rous Beauty there to view, and his bleft Will inquire.

5 For there I may with Comfort rest, in Times of deep Distress;

And fafe, as on a Rock, abide in that fecure Recess:

6 Whilst God o'er all my haughty Foes my losty Head shall raise;

And I my joyful Off'ring bring, and fing glad Songs of Praise. PART II.

7 Continue, Lord, to hear my Voice, whene'er to thee I cry;

In Mercy all my Pray'rs receive, nor my Request deny.

8 When

8 When us to feek thy glorious Face Thou kindly dost advise;

"Thy glorious Face I'll always feek,"
my grateful Heart replies,

9 Then hide not Thou thy Face, O Lord, nor me in Wrath reject:

My God, and Saviour, leave not him Thou did'st so oft protect.

10 Tho' all my Friends and nearest Kin, their helples Charge forsake;

Yet Thou, whose Love excels them all, wilt Care and Pity take.

my Ways directly guide;

Lest envious Men who watch my Steps, should see me tread aside.

12 Lord, disappoint my cruel Foes; defeat their ill Desire,

Whose lying Lips, and bloody Hands, against my Peace conspire.

Is I trusted that my future Life should with thy Love be crown'd; Or else my fainting Soul had sunk, with Sorrow compass'd round.

14 God's Time with patient Faith expect and he'll inspire thy Breast

With inward Strength: Do thou thy Part, and leave to him the rest.

PSALM XXVIII.

LORD, my Rock, to Thee I cry, in Sighs confume my Breath.

O! answer; or I shall become

like those that sleep in Death, 2 Regard my Supplication, Lord,

With weeping Eyes, and lifted Hands, before thy Mercy-seat.

3 Let me escape the Sinners Doom, who make a Trade of Ill;

D 3

And ever speak the Person fair, whose Blood they mean to spill.

4 According to their Crime's Extent, let Justice have its Course:

Relentless be to them, as they have sinn'd without Remorfe.

5 Since they the Works of God despise, nor will his Grace adore;

His Wrath shall utterly destroy, and build them up no more.

6 But I, with due Acknowledgment, his Praises will resound,

From whom the Cries of my Distress a gracious Answer found.

7 My Heart its Confidence repos'd in God, my Strength and Shield;

In him I trufted, and return'd triumphant from the Field:

As he hath made my Joys complete, 'tis just that I should raise

The chearful Tribute of my Thanks, and thus refound his Praise:

8 "His aiding Pow'r supports the Troops that my just Cause maintain:

"Twas he advanc'd me to the Throne; "tis he fecures my Reign."

9 Preserve thy Chosen, and proceed thine Heritage to bless:

With Plenty profper them, in Peace; in Battle, with Success.

PSALM XXIX.

YE Princes, that in Might excel, your grateful Sacrifice prepare; God's glorious Actions loudly tell, his wond'rous Pow'r to all declare.

2 To his great Name fresh Altars raise; devoutly due Respect afford;

Him

Him in his holy Temple praise, where he's with solemn State ador'd.

3 'Tis he that with amazing Noise, the warry Clouds in funder breaks:

The Ocean trembles at his Voice, when he from Heav'n in Thunder speaks.

4, 5 How full of Pow'r his Voice appears!
with what majestick Terror crown'd!
Which from the Roots tall Cedars tears,

and strews their scatter'd Branches round.

6 They, and the Hills on which they grow, are sometimes hurry'd far away;

And leap, like Hinds that bounding go, or Unicorns in youthful Play.

7, 8 When God in Thunder loudly speaks, and scatter'd Flames of Lightning sends, The Forest nods, the Desart quakes,

and stubborn Kadesh lowly bends.

9 He makes the Hinds to cast their Young, and lays the Beasts dark Coverts bare;

While those that to his Courts belong,

fecurely fing his Praises there.

his boundless Sway shall never cease:

His People he'll with Strength supply, and bless his own with constant Peace.

PSALM XXX.

I'LL celebrate thy Praises, Lord, who didst thy Pow'r employ

To raise my drooping Head, and check my Foes insulting Joy.

2, 3 In my Diftress I cry'd to Thee, who kindly didst relieve,

And from the Grave's expecting Jaws, my hopeless Life retrieve.

4 Thus to his Courts, ye Saints of his, with Songs of Praise repair;
With me commemorate his Truth,

and Providential Care.

5 His Wrath has but a Moment's Reign; his Favour to decay:

Your Night of Grief is recompens'd with Joy's returning Day.

6 But I, in prosp'rous Days presum'd; no sudden Change I fear'd;

Whilst in my Sunshine of Success no louring Cloud appear'd.

7 But soon I sound thy Favour, Lord, my Empire's only Trust;

For when thou hidd'st thy Face, I saw my Honour laid in Dust.

8 Then, as I vainly had prefum'd, my Error I confess'd;

And thus, with fupplicating Voice, thy Mercy's Throne address'd:

"What Profit is there in my Blood, 
congeal'd by Death's cold Night?

9 "Can filent Ashes speak thy Praise, "thy wond'rous Truth recite?

thy wonted Aid extend:

"Do thou fend Help, on whom alone "I can for Help depend."

to Songs and Dances turn'd;
Invested me in Robes of State,
who late in Sackcloth mourn'd.

thy Praise in grateful Verse;
And as thy Favours endless are,
thy endless Praise rehearse.

PSAL M XXXI.

DEFEND me, Lord, from Shame; for still I trust in Thee:

As Just and Righteous is thy Name, from Danger set me free.

2 Bow down thy gracious Ear, and speedy Succour send: Do thou my stedfast Rock appear, to shelter and defend.

3 Since thou, when Foes oppress, my Rock and Fortress art,

To guide me forth from this Distress, thy wonted Help impart.

4 Release me from the Snare which they have closely laid;

Since I, O God, my Strength, repair to Thee alone for Aid.

5 To Thee, the God of Truth, my Life, and all that's mine

(For Thou preserv'dst me from my Youth),
I willingly resign.

6 All vain Designs I hate, of those that trust in Lyes;

And still my Soul in ev'ry State, To God for Succour flies.

PART II.

7 Those Mercies Thou hast shown, I'll chearfully express,

For Thou hast seen my Streights, and known my Soul in deep Distress.

8 When Keilah's treach'rous Race did all my Strength inclose,

Thou gav'st my Feet a larger Space, to shun my watchful Foes.

9 Thy Mercy, Lord, display, and hear my just Complaint;

For both my Soul and Flesh decay, with Grief and Hunger faint.

ny Years are spent in Groans;

My Sins have made my Strength decrease, and ev'n consum'd my Bones.

my Neighbours did upbraid;

My Friends, at Sight of me were shock'd, and fled as Men dismay'd.

12 For-

as dead, and out of Mind;
And like a shatter'd Vessel lie,
whose Parts can ne'er be join'd.

and feem my Pow'r to dread;
Whilst they together Counsel take,
my guiltless Blood to shed.

I on thy Help repose:

That Thou, my God, art good and just, my Soul with Comfort knows.

PART III.

thy Wisdom times them all:
Then, Lord, thy Servant safely hide,
from those that seek his Fall.

16 The Brightness of thy Face to me, O Lord, disclose;

And as thy Mercies still increase preserve me from my Foes.

who still have call'd on Thee;
Let that, and Silence in the Grave,
the Sinner's Portion be.

18 Do Thou their Tongues restrain, whose Breath in Lyes is spent;

Who false Reports, with proud Disdain, against the Righteous vent.

19 How great thy Mercies are to fuch as fear thy Name;

Which Thou for those that trust thy Care, dost to the World proclaim!

20 Thou keep'st them in thy Sight, from proud Oppressors free:

From Tongues that do in Strife delight, they are preserv'd by Thee.

God's Name be ever bleft;

Whofe

Whose Love in Keilah's well-senc'd Town was wond'rously express'd!

22 I said, in hasty Flight,

"I'm banish'd from thine Eyes:"
Yet still thou kept'st me in thy Sight, and heard'st my earnest Cries.

with eager Love pursue; who to the Just will Help afford, and give the Proud their Due.

24 Ye that on God rely, couragiously proceed;

For He will still your Hearts supply with Strength in time of Need.

PSALM XXXII.

I HE's bleft, whose Sins have Pardon gain'd no more in Judgment to appear;

2 Whose Guilt Remission has obtain'd, and whose Repentance is sincere.

3 While I conceal'd the fretting Sore, my Bones confum'd without Relief:

All Day did I with Anguish roar; but no Complaints asswag'd my Grief.

by Day and Night alike diffress'd;
Till quite of vital Moisture drain'd,
like Land with Summer's Drought opport

like Land with Summer's Drought oppress'd.

5 No fooner I my Wound disclos'd,

the Guilt that tortur'd me within,

But thy Forgiveness interpos'd,

and Mercy's healing Balm pour'd in.

6 True Penitents shall thus succeed, who seek Thee whilst Thou mayst be found;

And, from the common Deluge freed, shall see remorseless Sinners drown'd.

7 Thy Favour, Lord, in all Diftress, my Tow'r of Refuge I must own:

Thou

Thou shalt my haughty Foes suppress, and me with Songs of Triumph crown.

In my Instruction then confide, you that would Truth's fafe Path descry:

Your Progress I'll securely guide, and keep you in my watchful Eye.

9 Submit yourselves to Wisdom's Rule, like Men that Reason have attain'd; Not like th'ungovern'd Horse and Mule, whose Fury must be curb'd and rein'd.

the harden'd Sinner shall confound:
But them, who in his Truth confide,
Bleffings of Mercy shall surround.

their Life in Triumph shall employ:

in grateful Raptures shout for Joy.

PSALM XXXIII.

TET all the Just to God with Joy, their chearful Voices raise; For well the Righteous it becomes to sing glad Songs of Praise.

2, 3 Let Harps, and Psalteries, and Lutes, in joyful Concert meet;

And new-made Songs of loud Applause the Harmony complete.

4, 5 For faithful is the Word of God; his Works with Truth abound; He Justice loves; and all the Earth

is with his Goodness crown'd.

6 By his Almighty Word, at first,
Heav'ns glorious Arch was rear'd;
And all the beauteous Hosts of Light
at his Command appear'd.

7 The swelling Floods together roll'd, he makes in Heaps to lie; And lays, as in a Store-house safe,

the wat'ry Treasures by.

8, 9 Let

8, 9 Let Earth, and all that dwell therein, before him trembling stand:

For, when he fpake the Word, 'twas made: 'twas fix'd at his Command.

their Counsels undermines:

His Wisdom ineffectual makes the People's rash Designs.

/ 11 Whate'er the mighty Lord decrees, shall stand for ever sure;

The fettled Purpose of his Heart to Ages shall endure.

PART II.

How happy then are they, to whom the Lord for God is known!

Whom he, from all the World besides, has chosen for his own.

13, 14, 15 He all the Nations of the Earth, from Heav'n, his Throne, furvey'd;

He faw their Works, and view'd their Thoughts; by him their Hearts were made.

16, 17 No King is fafe by num'rous Hosts; their Strength, the Strong deceives;

No manag'd Horse, by Force or Speed his warlike Rider saves.

18, 19 'Tis God, who those that trust in him beholds with gracious Eyes:

He frees their Soul from Death; their Want, in time of Dearth, supplies.

20, 21 Our Soul on God with Patience waits; our Help and Shield is He:

Then, Lord, let still our Hearts rejoice, because we trust in Thee.

22 The Riches of thy Mercy, Lord, do Thou to us extend;

Since we, for all we want or with, on Thee alone depend. PSALM XXXIV.

THRO' all the changing Scenes of Life, in Trouble and in Joy,
The Praises of my God shall still

my Heart and Tongue employ.

2 Of his Deliv'rance I will boaft, till all that are diffrest,

From my Example Comfort take, and charm their Griefs to Rest.

3 O! magnify the Lord with me, with me exalt his Name:

4 When in Diffress to him I call'd, he to my Rescue came.

5 Their drooping Hearts were foon refresh'd, who look'd to him for Aid:

Defir'd Success in ev'ry Face a chearful Air display'd.

6 "Behold (fay they) behold the Man "whom Providence reliev'd;

"So dang'rously with Woes beset, "fo wond'rously retriev'd!"

7 The Hosts of God encamp around the Dwellings of the Just; Deliv'rance he affords to all who on his Succour trust.

8 O! make but Trial of his Love,
Experience will decide

How bleft they are, and only they, who in his Truth confide.

9 Fear him, ye Saints; and you will then have nothing else to fear;

Make you his Service your Delight; he'll make your Wants his Care.

the Lord will Food provide

For such as put their Trust in him,

and see their Needs supply'd.

## PART II.

11 Approach, ye piously dispos'd, and my Instruction hear; I'll teach you the true Discipline

of his religious Fear.

12 Let him who Length of Life defires. and prosp'rous Days would fee,

13 From fland'ring Language keep his Tongue, his Lips from Falshood free;

14 The crooked Paths of Vice decline. and Virtue's Ways pursue: Establish Peace, where 'tis begun;

and where 'tis loft, renew.

15 The Lord from Heav'n beholds the Just with favourable Eyes;

And when diffress'd, his gracious Ear is open to their Cries;

16 But turns his wrathful Look on those whom Mercy can't reclaim,

To cut them off, and from the Earth blot out their hated Name.

17 Deliv'rance to his Saints he gives, when his Relief they crave:

18 He's nigh to heal the broken Heart and contrite Spirit fave.

19 The Wicked oft, but still in vain, against the Just conspire;

20 For under their Affliction's Weight, he keeps their Bones intire.

21 The Wicked, from their wicked Arts, their Ruin shall derive;

Whilst righteous Men, whom they detest; shall them and theirs survive.

22 For God preserves the Souls of those who on his Truth depend: To them, and their Posterity,

his Bleffings shall descend.

PSALM XXXV.

A GAINST all those that strive with me,
O Lord affert my Right;
With such as War unjustly wage,
do thou my Battles fight.

2 Thy Buckler take, and bind thy Shield upon thy warlike Arm:

Stand up, my God, in my Defence; and keep me fafe from Harm.

3 Bring forth thy Spear; and stop their Course, that haste my Blood to spill;

Say to my Soul, "I am thy Health, "and will preferve thee still."

4 Let them with Shame be cover'd o'er, who my Destruction fought;

And fuch as did my Harm devise, be to Confusion brought.

5 Then shall they fly, dispers'd like Chaff, before the driving Wind:

God's vengeful Minister of Wrath shall follow close behind.

6 And when, through dark and slipp'ry Ways they strive his Rage to shun, His vengeful Ministers of Wrath

shall goad them, as they run:

7 Since unprovok'd by any Wrong, they hid their treach'rous Snare; And, for my harmless Soul, a Pit did, without Cause, prepare;

8 Surpriz'd by Mischies unforeseen, by their own Arts betray'd, Their Feet shall fall into the Net

Their Feet shall fall into the Net, which they for me have laid;

9 Whilst my glad Soul shall God's great Name, for this Deliv'rance bless;

And by his faving Health secur'd, its grateful Joy express.

10 My very Bones shall say, "O Lord, "Who can compare with Thee?

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"Who fett'st the poor and helpless Man from frong Oppressors free."

PART II.

against my Truth combin'd;

And to my Charge fuch Things they laid as I had ne'er design'd.

12 The Good which I to them had done, with Evil they repaid;

And did, by Malice undeferv'd, my harmless Life invade.

I still in Sackcloth mourn'd;

I pray'd and fasted, and my Pray'r to my own Breast return'd.

I could have done no more;

Nor with more decent Signs of Grief

a Mother's Loss deplore.

15 How diff'rent did their Carriage prove, in Times of my Diffress!

When they, in Crouds together met, did favage Joy express.

This Rabble too, in num'rous Throngs, by their Example came;

And ceas'd not with reviling Words to wound my spotless Fame.

16 Scoffers, that noble Tables haunt, and earn their Bread with Lyes,

Did gnash their Teeth, and sland'ring Jests maliciously devise.

17 But, Lord, how long wilt thou look on?
On my Behalf appear;

And fave my guiltless Soul, which they like rav'ning Beasts would tear.

PART III.

18 So I, before the list'ning World, shall grateful Thanks express;

And

And when their great Assembly meets, thy Name with Praises bless.

19 Lord, suffer not my causeless Foes, who me unjustly hate,

With open Joy, or fecret Signs, to mock my fad Estate.

20 For they, with Hearts averse from Peace, industriously devise

Against the Men of quiet Minds to forge malicious Lyes.

21 Nor with these private Arts content, aloud they vent their Spite;

And fay, "At last we found him out; "he did it in our Sight."

22 But Thou, who dost both them and me with righteous Eyes survey,

Affert my Innocence, O Lord, and keep not far away.

23 Stir up Thyself; in my Behalf, to Judgment, Lord, awake:

Thy righteous Servant's Cause, O God, to thy Decision take.

24 Lord, as my Heart has upright been, let me thy Justice find:

Nor let my cruel Foes obtain the Triumph they design'd.

25 O! let them not, amongst themselves, in boasting Language say,

"At length our Wishes are complete; at last he's made our Prey."

26 Let fuch as in my Harm rejoic'd, for Shame their Faces hide;

And foul Dishonour wait on those that proudly me defy'd;

27 Whilst they with chearful Voices shout, who my just Cause befriend;

And bless the Lord, who loves to make Success his Saints attend.

28 So

28 So shall my Tongue thy Judgments sing, inspir'd with grateful Joy;

And chearful Hymns, in Praise of Thee, shall all my Days employ.

PSALM XXXVI.

MY crafty Foe, with flatt'ring Art, his wicked Purpose would disguise:

But Reason whispers to my Heart,
no Fear of God's before his Eyes.

2 He fooths himself, retir'd from Sight; fecure he thinks his treach'rous Game;

Till his dark Plots, expos'd to Light, their false Contriver brand with Shame.

3 In Deeds he is my Foe confess'd, whilst with his Tongue he speaks me fair: True Wisdom's banish'd from his Breast;

and Vice has fole Dominion there.

4 His wakeful Malice spends the Night in forging his accurs'd Designs; His obstinate, ungen'rous Spite no execrable Means declines.

5 But, Lord, thy Mercy, my fure Hope, the highest Orb of Heav'n transcends;

Thy facred Truth's unmeasur'd Scope beyond the sparkling Skies extends.

6 Thy Justice like the Hills remains; unfathom'd Depths thy Judgments are; Thy Providence the World sustains;

the whole Creation is thy Care.

7 Since of thy Goodness all partake, with what Assurance should the Just Thy shelt'ring Wings their Resuge make

and Saints to thy Protection trust!

8 Such Guests shall to thy Courts be led, to banquet on thy Love's Repast: And drink as from a Fountain's Head,

of Joys that shall for ever last.

9 With Thee the Springs of Life remain; thy Presence is eternal Day:

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10 O! let thy Saints thy Favour gain; to upright Hearts thy Truth display.

11 Whilst Pride's insulting Foot would spurn, and wicked Hands my Life surprise;

down, down they're fall'n, no more to rife.

P S A L M XXXVII.

Yet let not their successful State thy Anger, or thy Envy, raise:

2 For they, cut down, like tender Grass, Or like young Flow'rs, away shall pass, whose blooming Beauty soon decays.

3 Depend on God, and him obey; So thou within the Land shalt stay, secure from Danger, and from Want:

4 Make his Commands thy chief Delight; And He, thy Duty to requite, shall all thy earnest Wishes grant.

5 In all thy Ways trust thou the Lord, And He will needful Help afford to ev'ry perfect just Design:

6 He'll make, like Light, serene and clear, Thy clouded Innocence appear, and as a mid-day Sun to shine.

7 With quiet Mind on God depend, And patiently for him attend; nor let thy Anger fondly rife,

Tho' wicked Men with Wealth abound, And with Success the Plots are crown'd which they maliciously devise.

8 From Anger cease, and Wrath forfake; Let no ungovern'd Passion make thy wav'ring Heart espouse their Crime:

9 For God shall finful Men destroy; Whilst only they the Land enjoy, who trust on him, and wait his Time.

10 How

Their Place shall wanish quite away, nor by the strictest Search be found;

Rejoicing still with godly Mirth, with Peace and Plenty always crown'd.

PART II.

Against the righteous Few combine, and gnash their Teeth, and threat'ning stand;

And laugh at their defeated Pride:
He fees their Ruin near at hand.

the Poor and Needy to o'erthrow, and Men of upright Lives to flay;

Their sharpen'd Weapons mortal Stroke thro' their own Hearts shall force its Way.

That's by one righteous Man posses'd, the Wealth of many Bad excels:

17 For God supports the just Man's Cause; But, as for those that break his Laws, their unsuccessful Pow'r he quells.

And over all their Life prefides; their Portion shall for ever last:

19 They, when Distress o'erwhelms the Earth, Shall be unmov'd, and ev'n in Dearth the happy Fruits of Plenty taste.

Who proudly dare God's Will oppose:

Destruction is their hapless Share:

Like Fat of Lambs, their Hopes, and they,
Shall in an Instant melt away,
and vanish into Smoke and Air.

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## PART III.

Still borrow on, and never pay; the Just have Will and Pow'r to give:

Shall peaceably the Earth posses; and those He curses, shall not live.

He orders all the Steps aright, of him that moves by his Command:

Yet shall he ne'er be quite oppress'd; for God upholds him with his Hand.

I never faw the Righteous fail'd, or Want o'ertake his num'rous Race.

And he did chearfully impart,

God made his Offspring's Wealth increase.

in Virtue's Ways with Zeal proceed, and fo prolong your happy Days.

28 For God, who Judgment loves, does still Preserve his Saints secure from Ill, while soon the wicked Race decays.

29, 30, 31 The Upright shall possess the Land,
His Portion shall for Ages stand,
his Mouth with Wissom is supply'd;
His Tongue by Rules of Judgment moves;
His Heart the Law of God approves;
therefore his Footsteps never slide.

PART IV.

32 In wait the watchful Sinner lies, In vain the Righteous to furprife; in vain his Ruin does decree:

33 God will not him defenceless leave, to his Revenge expos'd, but save; and when he's sentenc'd, set him free.

34 Wait

And thou, exalted in the Land,
thy bleft Poffession ne'er shall quit:
The Wicked soon destroy'd shall be,
And at his dismal Tragedy
thou shalt a safe Spectator sit.

35 The Wicked I in Pow'r have seen, And, like a Bay-tree, fresh and green, that spreads its pleasant Branches round:

And the was gone as swift as Thought;
And the in ev'ry Place I sought,
no Sign or Tract of him I sound.

37 Observe the perfect Man with Care, And mark all such as upright are, their roughest Days in Peace shall end;

38 While on the latter End of those, Who dare God's facred Will oppose, a common Ruin shall attend.

39 God to the Just will Aid afford: Their only Saseguard is the Lord; their Strength in time of need is He:

The Lord will timely Succour fend, and from the Wicked fet them free.

PSALM XXXVIII.

THY chaft'ning Wrath, O Lord, restrain, tho' I deserve it all;

Nor let at once on me the Storm of thy Displeasure fall.

2 In ev'ry wretched Part of me thy Arrows deep remain;

Thy heavy Hands afflicting Weight I can no more fustain.

3 My Flesh is one continu'd Wound, thy Wrath so fiercely glows; Betwixt my Punishment and Guilt, my Bones have no Repose.

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4 My Sins, which to a Deluge swell, my finking Head o'erflow;

And, for my feeble Strength to bear, too vast a Burden grow.

5 Stench and Corruption fill my Wounds, my Folly's just Return:

6 With Trouble I am warp'd and bow'd, and all Day long I mourn.

7 A loath'd Disease afflicts my Loins, infecting ev'ry Part;

8 With Sickness worn, I groan and roar, thro' Anguish of my Heart.

9 But, Lord, before thy fearching Eyes all my Desires appear;

And, fure, my Groans have been too loud, not to have reach'd thine Ear.

no My Heart oppress'd, my Strength decay'd, my Eyes depriv'd of Light:

on fuch a difmal Sight.

12 Mean while, the Foes that seek my Life, their Snares to take me set; Vent Slanders, and contrive all Day

to forge fome new Deceit.

13 But I, as if both deaf and dumb, nor heard, nor once reply'd;

14 Quite deaf and dumb, like one whose Tongue with conscious Guilt is ty'd.

15 For, Lord, to Thee I do appeal, my Innocence to clear;

Affur'd that Thou, the righteous God, my injur'd Cause wilt hear.

16 "Hear me," faid I, " lest my proud Foes

" a spiteful Joy display;
" Insulting, if they see my Foot

but once to go aftray."

7 And with continual Grief oppress'd, to fink I now begin:

18 To

18 To Thee, O Lord, I will confess, to Thee bewail my Sin.

their Strength and Vigour boaft;
And they who hate me without Cause,

are grown a dreadful Hoft.

my Kindness with Despite;
And are my Enemies, because

I choose the Path that's right.

21 Forfake me not, O Lord my God, nor far from me depart;

22 Make haste to my Relief, O Thou, who my Salvation art.

PSALM XXXIX.

REfolv'd to watch o'er all my Ways,
I kept my Tongue in Awe;
I curb'd my hafty Words, when I
the prosp'rous Wicked saw.

2 Like one that's dumb, I filent stood, and did my Tongue refrain

From good Discourse; but that Restraint increas'd my inward Pain.

3 My Heart did glow, which working Thoughts did hot and reftless make;

And warm Reflections fann'd the Fire, till thus at length I spake:

4 Lord, let me know my Term of Days, how foon my Life will end:

The wond'rous Train of Ills disclose, which this frail State attend.

5 My Life, thou know'st, is but a Span; a Cypher sums my Years; And ev'ry Man in best Estate,

but Vanity appears.

6 Man, like a Shadow vainly walks, with fruitless Cares oppress'd:

He heaps up Wealth, but cannot tell by whom 'twill be posses'd.

7 Why

7 Why then should I on worthless Toys, with anxious Care, attend?
On Thee alone my stedfast Hope

shall ever, Lord, depend.

8, 9 Forgive my Sins; nor let me scorn'd by foolish Sinners be;

For I was dumb and murmur'd not, because 'twas done by Thee.

in Mercy foon remove;

Lest my frail Flesh too weak to bear the heavy Load should prove.

Thou mak'st his Beauty fade
(So vain a Thing is he!) like Cloth
by fretting Moths decay'd.

12 Lord, hear my Cry, accept my Tears, and liften to my Pray'r,

Who fojourn like a Stranger here, as all my Fathers were.

my wasted Strength restore,
Before I vanish quite from hence,
and shall be seen no more.

PSALM XL.

I Waited meekly for the Lord, till He vouchsaf'd a kind Reply; Who did his gracious Ear afford, and heard from Heav'n my humble Cry.

2 He took me from the dismal Pit, when founder'd deep in miry Clay; On solid Ground he plac'd my Feet,

and suffer'd not my Steps to stray.

3 The Wonders he for me has wrought,
shall fill my Mouth with Songs of Praise;

And others to his Worship brought, to Hopes of like Deliv'rance raise.

4 For Bleffings shall that Man reward, who on th' Almighty Lord relies;

Who

Who treats the Proud with Difregard, and hates the Hypocrite's Difguise.

Who can the wond'rous Works recount, which Thou, O God, for us haft wrought? The Treasures of thy Love surmount, the Pow'r of Numbers, Speech, and Thought.

6 I've learnt, that Thou hast not desir'd Off'rings and Sacrifice alone;

Nor Blood of guiltless Beasts requir'd, for Man's Transgression to atone.

7 I therefore come—come to fulfil the Oracles thy Books impart.

8 'Tis my Delight to do thy Will; thy Law is written in my Heart.

PART II.

9 In full Assemblies I have told thy Truth and Righteousness at large; Nor did, Thou know'st, my Lips with-hold from utt'ring what thou gav'st in Charge:

thy Faithfulness, and saving Grace;
But preach'd thy Love, for All design'd,
that All might That, and Truth embrace.

to others, Lord, extend to me: Thy Loving-kindness my Reward, thy Truth my safe Protection be.

too vast and numberless to bear;
Nor less with Loads of Guilt oppress'd,
that plunge and fink me to Despair.

As foon, alas! I may recount
the Hairs on this afflicted Head;
My vanquish'd Courage they surmount,
and fill my drooping Soul with Dread.
PART III.

13 But, Lord, to my Relief draw near; for never was more pressing Need:

In my Deliv'rance, Lord, appear, and add to that Deliv'rance Speed.

who to destroy my Soul combine;
Let them, defeated, blush and mourn,
ensnar'd in their own vile Design.

with Shame their Malice be repaid,
Who mock'd my Confidence in Thee,
and Sport of my Affliction made:

16 While those who humbly seek thy Face, to joyful Triumphs shall be rais'd; And all who prize thy saving Grace, with me resound, The Lord be prais'd.

of me th' Almighty Lord takes Care:
Thou, God, who only can't restore,
to my Relief with Speed repair.
PSALM XLI.

HAppy the Man, whose tender Care relieves the Poor distress'd!
When he's by Troubles compass'd round, the Lord shall give him Rest.

2 The Lord his Life, with Bleffings crown'd, in Safety shall prolong;

And disappoint the Will of those that seek to do him Wrong.

oppress'd with Sickness, lie;
The Lord will easy make his Bed,
and inward Strength supply.

4 Secure of this, to Thee, my God, I thus my Pray'r address'd:

"Lord, for thy Mercy, heal my Soul, tho' I have much transgress'd."

5 My cruel Foes, with fland'ring Word, attempt to wound thy Fame:

"When shall he die (say they), and Men forget his very Name?"

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6 Suppose they formal Visits make, 'tis all but empty Show:

They gather Mitchief in their Hearts, and vent it where they go.

7, 8 With private Whispers, such as these, to hurt me they devise:

" A fore Disease afflicts him now; he's fall'n, no more to rise."

9 My own familiar Bosom-friend, on whom I most rely'd,

Has me, whose daily Guest he was, with open Scorn defy'd.

10 But Thou my fad and wretched State, in Mercy, Lord, regard;

And raise me up, that all their Crimes may meet their just Reward.

is open when I call;

Because Thou suffer'st not my Foes to triumph in my Fall.

12 Thy tender Care secures my Life from Danger and Disgrace;

And Thou vouchfaf'st to set me still before thy glorious Face.

13 Let therefore Ifrael's Lord and God from Age to Age be bleft;

And all the Peoples glad Applause with loud Amens exprest.

PSALM XLII.

A S pants the Hart for cooling Streams, when heated in the Chace; So longs my Soul, O God, for Thee, and thy refreshing Grace.

2 For Thee, my God, the living God, my thirsty Soul doth pine:

O! when thall I behold thy Face, Thou Majetty Divine?

3 Tears are my constant Food, while thus insulting Foes upbraid:

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"Deluded Wretch! where's now thy God? and where his promis'd Aid?"

4 I figh whene'er my musing Thoughts those happy Days present,

When I with Troops of pious Friends thy Temple did frequent;

When I advanc'd with Songs of Praise, my solemn Vows to pay;

And led the joyful facred Throng, that kept the Festal Day.

5 Why restless, why cast down, my Soul? Trust God; and He'll employ

His Aid for thee, and change these Sighs to thankful Hymns of Joy.

6 My Soul's cast down, O God; but thinks on Thee and Sion still;

From Jordan's Banks, from Hermon's Heights, and Missan's humbler Hill.

7 One Trouble calls another on; and, burfting o'er my Head,

Fall spouting down, till round my Soul a roaring Sea is spread.

8 But when thy Presence, Lord of Life, has once dispell'd this Storm,

To thee I'll Midnight Anthems fing, and all my Vows perform.

9 God of my Strength, how long shall I, like one forgotten, mourn,

Forlorn, forfaken, and expos'd to my Oppressors Scorn!

no My Heart is pierc'd, as with a Sword, whilft thus my Foes upbraid,

"Vain Boaster, where is now thy God? and where his promis'd Aid?"

Hope still: and thou shalt sing
The praise of him who is thy God,
thy Health's eternal Spring.

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## PSALM XLIII.

JUST Judge of Heav'n, against my Foes do Thou affert my injur'd Right:

O! set me free, my God, from those that in Deceit and Wrong delight.

2 Since Thou art still my only Stay, why leav'st Thou me in deep Distress?

Why go I mourning all the Day, whilst me insulting Foes oppress?

be these my Guides, and lead the Way,

Till on thy holy Hill I rest, and in thy sacred Temple pray.

4 Then will I there fresh Altars raise to God, who is my only Joy;

And well tun'd Harps, with Songs of Praise, shall all my grateful Hours employ.

5 Why then cast down, my Soul? and why so much oppress'd with anxious Care?

On God, thy God, for Aid rely; who will thy ruin'd State repair.

PSALM XLIV. LORD, our Fathers oft have tell

In our attentive Ears, Thy Wonders in their Days perform'd,

and elder Times than theirs.

2 How Thou, to plant them here, didst drive the Heathen from this Land,

Dispeopled by repeated Strokes of thy avenging Hand.

For not their Courage, nor their Sword, to them Possession gave;

Nor Strength, that from unequal Force, their fainting Troops could fave;

But thy Right-hand, and pow'rful Arm, whose Succour they implor'd;

Thy Presence with the chosen Race, who thy great Name ador'd.

4 As Thee their God our Fathers own, Thou art our Sov'reign King:

O! therefore, as Thou didst to them, to us Deliv'rance bring!

the proudest Foe shall quell;
And crush them with repeated Strokes,

as oft as they rebel.

6 I'll neither trust my Bow nor Sword, when I in Fight engage;

7 But Thee, who hast our Foes subdu'd, and sham'd their spiteful Rage.

8 To Thee the Triumph we ascribe, from whence the Conquest came:

In God we will rejoice all Day, and ever bless his Name.

PART II.

9 But Thou hast cast us off; and now most shamefully we yield;

For Thou no more vouchsaf'st to lead our Armies to the Field.

ve turn our Backs in Fight;

And with our Spoil their Malice feast, who bear us antient Spite.

11 To Slaughter doom'd, we fall, like Sheep, into their butch'ring Hands;

Or (what's more wretched yet) furvive, dispers'd thro' Heathen Lands.

and fet their Price so low,
That not thy Treasure, by the Sale,

but their Difgrace, may grow;

13, 14 Reproach'd by all the Nations round, the Heathens By-word grown; Whose Scorn of us is both in Speech, and mocking Gestures, shown.

15 Confusion strikes me blind; my Face in conscious Shame I hide;

16 While

16 While we are scoff'd, and God blasphem'd by their licentious Pride.

PART III.

17 On us this Heap of Woes is fall'n; all this we have endur'd; Yet have not, Lord, renounc'd thy Name, or Faith to Thee abjur'd:

18 But in thy righteous Paths have kept our Hearts and Steps with Care;

19 Tho' Thou hast broken all our Strength, and we almost despair.

20 Could we, forgetting thy great Name, on other Gods rely,

21 And not the Searcher of all Hearts the treach'rous Crime descry?

22 Thou feeft what Suff'rings, for thy Sake, we ev'ry Day fustain;

All flaughter'd, or referv'd like Sheep appointed to be flain.

23 Awake, arife; let feeming Sleep no longer Thee detain;

Nor let us, Lord, who fue to Thee, for ever fue in vain.

24 O! wherefore hidelt Thou thy Face from our afflicted State,

25 Whose Souls and Bodies fink to Earth, with Grief's oppressive Weight.

26 Arise, O Lord, and timely Haste to our Deliv'rance make:

Redeem us, Lord; if not for ours, yet for thy Mercies fake.

PSALM XLV.

THILE I the King's loud Praise rehearse, indited by my Heart,

My Tongue is like the Pen of him that writes with ready Art.

2 How matchless is thy Form, O. King! thy Mouth with Grace o'erflows; Because

Because fresh Blessings God on thee eternally bestows.

3 Gird on thy Sword, most mighty Prince; and, clad in rich Array,

With glorious Ornaments of Pow'r, majestic Pomp display.

4 Ride on in State, and still protect the Meek, the Just, and True;

Whilst thy Right-hand, with swift Revenge does all thy Foes pursue.

5 How sharp thy Weapons are to them that dare thy Pow'r oppose!

Down, down they fall, while thro' their Heart the feather'd Arrow goes.

6 But thy firm Throne, O God, is fix'd, for ever to endure:

Thy Sceptre's Sway shall always last, by righteous Laws secure.

7 Because thy Heart, by Justice led, did upright Ways approve,

And hated still the crooked Paths, where wand'ring Sinners rove;

Therefore did God, thy God, on thee the Oil of Gladness shed;

And has, above thy Fellows round, advanc'd thy lofty Head.

8 With Cassia, Aloes, and Myrrh, thy royal Robes abound;

Which, from the stately Wardrobe brought, fpread grateful Odours round.

9 Among the honourable Train did princely Virgins wait;

The Queen was plac'd at thy Right-hand, in golden Robes of State.

PART II.

and to my Words attend;
Forget thy native Country now,
and ev'ry former Friend.

11 So shall thy Beauty charm the King, nor shall his Love decay.

For he is now become thy Lord: to him due Rev'rence pay.

fhall humble Prefents make;
And all the wealthy Nations sue

thy Favour to partake.

13 The King's fair Daughter's beauteous Soul all inward Graces fill:

Her Raiment is of purest Gold, adorn'd with costly Skill.

with Needles richly wrought,
Attended by her Virgin Train,

fhall to the King be brought.

15 With all the State of folemn Joy,
the Triumph moves along;

Till with wide Gates, the royal Court receives the pompous Throng.

16 Thou, in thy royal Father's Room, must princely Sons expect;

Whom thou to diff'rent Realms may'ft fend, to govern and protect:

17 Whilst this my Song to future Times transmits thy glorious Name;

And makes the World with one Consent, thy lasting Praise proclaim.

PSALM XLVI.

I GOD is our Refuge in Distress;
A present Help, when Dangers press:
In him, undaunted, we'll confide;
2, 3 Tho' Earth were from her Centre tost,
And Mountains in the Ocean lost,

torn piece-meal by the roaring Tide.

A gentler Stream with Gladness still The City of our Lord shall fill, the royal Seat of God most High:

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4 God dwells in Sion, whose fair Tow'rs Shall mock th' Affaults of earthly Pow'rs, while his Almighty Aid is nigh.

6 In Tumults when the Heathen rag'd, And Kingdoms War against us wag'd,

He thunder'd, and dispers'd their Pow'rs:

7 The Lord of Hosts conducts our Arms, Our Tow'r of Refuge in Alarms, our Fathers Guardian God, and ours.

8 Come, fee the Wonders he has wrought, On Earth what Defolation brought;

9 How he has calm'd the jarring World: He broke the warlike Spear and Bow; With them their thund'ring Chariots too into devouring Flames were hurl'd.

> 10 Submit to God's Almighty Sway; For him the Heathen shall obey,

and Earth her fov'reign Lord confess: 11 The God of Hosts conducts our Arms,

Our Tow'r of Refuge in Alarms, as to our Fathers in Distress.

PSALM XLVII.

ALL ye People, clap your Hands, and with triumphant Voices fing: No Force the mighty Pow'r withstands of God, the Universal King.

3, 4 He shall opposing Nations quell, and with Success our Battles fight; Shall fix the Place where we must dwell, the Pride of Jacob, his Delight.

5, 6 God is gone up, our Lord and King, with Shouts of Joy, and Trumpets Sound. To him repeated Praises sing,

and let the chearful Song go round.

7, 8 Your utmost Skill in Praise be shown, for him, who all the World commands; Who fits upon his righteous Throne, and spreads his Sway o'er Heathen Lands.

9 Our

o Our Chiefs, and Tribes, that, far from hence, t'adore the God of Abr'am came, Found him their constant sure Defence. How great and glorious is his Name!

PSALM XLVIII.

I THE Lord, the only God, is great, and greatly to be prais'd In Sion, on whose happy Mount his facred Throne is rais'd.

2 Her Tow'rs, the Joy of all the Earth, with beauteous Prospect rise;

On her North Side th' Almighty King's imperial City lies.

3 God in her Palaces is known: his Presence is her Guard:

4 Confed'rate Kings withdrew their Siege, and of Success despair'd.

5 They view'd their Walls, admir'd, and sled, with Grief and Terror struck;

6 Like Women, whom the fudden Pangs of Travail had o'ertook.

7 No wretched Crew of Mariners appear like them forlorn,

When Fleets from Tarshish' wealthy Coasts by Eastern Winds are torn.

8 In Sion we have feen perform'd a Work that was foretold,

In Pledge that God, for Times to come, his City will uphold.

9 Not in our Fortresses and Walls did we, O God, confide;

But on the Temple fix'd our Hopes, in which Thou dost reside.

thy Praise thro' Earth extends;
Thy pow'rful Arm, as Justice guides,
chastises, or defends.

her Daughters all be taught,

In Songs his Judgments to extol, who this Deliv'rance wrought.

your Eyes quite round her cast; Count all her Tow'rs, and see if there you find one Stone displac'd,

13 Her Forts and Palaces furvey; observe their Order well;

That with Assurance, to your Heirs this Wonder you may tell.

14 This God is ours, and will be ours, whilst we in him confide;

Who as he has preferv'd us now, till Death will be our Guide.

PSALM XLIX.

1, 2 LET all the list'ning World attend, and my Instructions hear:

Let High and Low, and Rich and Poor, with joint Consent give Ear:

3 My Mouth, with facred Wisdom fill'd, fhall good Advice impart;

The found Result of prudent Thoughts, digested in my Heart.

4 To Parables of weighty Sense
I will my Ear incline;

While to my tuneful Harp I fing dark Words of deep Defign.

5 Why should my Courage fail, in Times of Danger, and of Doubt;

When Sinners, that would me supplant, have compass'd me about?

6 Those Men, that all their Hope and Trust in Heaps of Treasure place,

And boast and triumph, when they see their ill-got Wealth increase,

Are yet unable from the Grave their dearest Friend to free;

Nor can, by Force of costly Bribes, reverse God's firm Decree.

8, 9 Their

8, 9 Their vain Endeavours they must quit; the Price is held too high:

No Sums can purchase such a Grant, that Man should never die.

nor Fools their Folly fave;

But both must perish; and, in Death, their Wealth to others leave.

II For the they think their stately Seats shall ne'er to Ruin fall;

But their Remembrance last in Lands, which by their Names they call;

12 Yet shall their Fame be soon forgot, how great soe'er their State:

With Beafts their Memory, and they, shall share one common Fate.

PART II.

13 How great their Folly is, who thus abfurd Conclusions make!

And yet their Children, unreclaim'd, repeat the gross Mistake.

the Prey of Death are made;

Their Beauty, while the Just rejoice, within the Grave shall fade.

But God will yet redeem my Soul; and from the greedy Grave

His greater Pow'r shall set me free, and to himself receive.

16 Then fear not thou, when wordly Men in envy'd Wealth abound;

Nor tho' their prosp'rous House increase, with State and Honour crown'd.

17 For, when they're fummon'd hence by Death, they leave all this behind;

No Shadow of their former Pomp within the Grave they find:

18 And yet they thought their State was bleft, caught in the Flatt'rer's Snare;

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Who praises those that slight all else, and of themselves take Care.

and when, like them, they die,
Their wretched Ancestors and they
in endless Darkness lie.

20 For Man, how great soe'er his State, unless he's truly wife,

As like a fenfual Beaft he lives, fo, like a Beaft, he dies.

PSALM L.

HE Lord hath spoke; the mighty God Hath sent his Summons all abroad, from dawning Light, till Day declines: The list ning Earth his Voice hath heard, And he from Sion hath appear'd, where Beauty in Persection shines.

3, 4 Our God shall come, and keep no more Misconstru'd Silence, as before; but wasting Flames before him send:

Around shall Tempests fiercely rage,

While he does Heav'n and Earth engage His just Tribunal to attend.

(Thus runs the great divine Decree)
that in my lafting Cov'nant live;
And Off'rings bring, with conftant Care,
(The Heav'ns his Justice shall declare;
for God himself shall Sentence give.)

7 Attend, my People: Israel, hear; Thy strong Accuser I'll appear; thy God, thy only God, am I:

8 'Tis not of Off'rings I complain, Which, daily in my Temple flain, my facred Altar did fupply.

No Bullock from thy Stall I'll take, nor He-goat from thy Fold accept:

10 The

The Cattle too, are all my own, that on a thousand Hills are kept.

In craggy Rocks; and favage Beafts, that loofely haunt the open Fields:

I need not feek Relief from thee, fince the World's mine, and all it yields.

On flaughter'd Bulls and Goats to feed, to eat their Flesh, and drink their Blood?

14 The Sacrifices I require,

Are Hearts which Love and Zeal inspire, and Vows with strictest Care made good.

And I will fet thee fafe and free; and thou Returns of Praise shalt make.

16 But to the Wicked thus faith God, How dar'ft thou teach my Laws abroad, or in thy Mouth my Cov'nant take?

17 For stubborn thou, confirm'd in Sin, Hast Proof against Instruction been, and of my Word didst lightly speak:

18 When thou a fubtil Thief didst see, Thou gladly with him didst agree, and with Adult'rers didst partake.

Thy Tongue, by Envy mov'd, and Spite, deceitful Tales does hourly spread:

Thou dost with hateful Scandals wound Thy Brother, and with Lyes confound the Offspring of thy Mother's Bed.

To gain with Silence, and with Love; till thou didft wickedly furmise,
That I was such a one as thou:
But I'll reprove and shame thee now, and set thy Sins before thine Eyes.

22 Mark

Let all my Bolts of Vengeance fly, while none shall dare your Cause to own:

And to the Man that justly lives, my strong Salvation shall be shown. PSALM LI.

HAVE Mercy, Lord, on me, as Thou wert ever kind;
Let me, oppress'd with Loads of Guilt, thy wonted Mercy find.

2, 3 Wash off my foul Offence, and cleanse me from my Sin; For I confess my Crime, and see how great my Guilt has been.

4 Against Thee, Lord, alone, and only in thy Sight,

Have I transgress'd; and, the condemn'd, must own thy Judgments right.

5 In Guilt each Part was form'd of all this finful Frame;

In Guilt I was conceiv'd, and born the Heir of Sin and Shame.

6 Yet Thou, whose Searching Eye does inward Truth require,

In fecret didst with Wisdom's Laws my tender Soul inspire.

7 With Hyffop purge me, Lord; and fo I clean shall be:

I shall with Snow in Whiteness vie, when purify'd by Thee.

8 Make me to hear with Joy thy kind forgiving Voice;

That so my Bones which Thou hast broke, may with fresh Strength rejoice.

9, 10 Blot out my crying Sins, nor me in Anger view;

Create in me a Heart that's clean; an upright Mind renew.

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PART II.

nor cast me from thy Sight;
Nor let thy Holy Spirit take
its everlasting Flight.

12 The Joy thy Favour gives, let me again obtain;

And let thy Spirit's firm Support my fainting Soul fustain.

13 So I thy righteous Ways to Sinners will impart;

Whilst my Advice shall wicked Men to thy just Laws convert.

my Saviour, and my God;

And my glad Tongue shall loudly tell thy righteous Acts abroad.

with Sorrow clos'd, and Shame;

So shall my Mouth thy wond'rous Praise to all the World proclaim.

whole Flocks and Herds should die;
But on such Off'rings Thou disdain'st
to cast a gracious Eye.

17 A broken Spirit is
by God most highly priz'd;
By him, a broken contrite Heart

shall never be despis'd.

18 Let Sion, Lord, thy Favour find, of thy Good-will assur'd:

And thy own City flourish long, by lofty Walls fecur'd.

and pleasing Tribute pay;
And Sacrifice of choicest Kind
upon thy Altar lay.

PSALM LII.

IN vain, O Man of lawless Might, thou boast'st thyself in Ill; Since God, the God in whom I trust, vouchsafes his Favour still.

2 Thy wicked Tongue does fland'rous Tales maliciously devise,

And, sharper than a Razor set, it wounds with treach'rous Lyes.

3, 4 Thy Thoughts are more on Ill, than Good, on Lyes, than Truth, employ'd;

Thy Tongue delights in Words by which the Guiltless are destroy'd.

5 God shall for ever blast thy Hopes, and snatch thee soon away; Nor in the Dwelling-place permit

Nor in thy Dwelling-place permit, nor in the World to stay.

6 The Just, with pious Fear, shall see the Downsal of thy Pride; And at thy sudden Ruin laugh,

and thus thy Fall deride:

7 "See there the Man that haughty was, "who proudly God defy'd,

" Who trufted in his Wealth, and still on wicked Arts rely'd."

8 But I am like those Olive-plants that shade God's Temple round; And hope with his indulgent Grace

to be for ever crown'd.

9 So shall my Soul with Praise, O God, extol thy wond'rous Love;

And on thy Name with Patience wait; for this thy Saints approve.

PSALM LIII.

HE wicked Fools must fure suppose, that God is but a Name:

This gross Mistake their Practice shows, fince Virtue all disclaim.

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2 The Lord look'd down from Heavens high the Sons of Men to view, [Tow'r,

To fee if any own'd his Pow'r, or Truth or Justice knew.

3 But all, he faw, were backward gone, degen'rate grown and base;

None for Religion car'd, not one of all the finful Race.

4 But are those Workers of Deceit fo dull and senseless grown,

That they like Bread my People eat, and God's just Pow'r disown?

5 Their causeless Fears shall strangely grow; and they, despis'd of God,

Shall foon be foil'd: His Hand shall throw their shatter'd Bones abroad.

6 Would he his faving Pow'r employ to break our fervile Band,

Loud Shouts of universal Joy should echo thro' the Land.

PSALM LIV.

To judge my Cause; accept my Pray'r, and to my Words give Ear.

3 Mere Strangers, whom I never wrong'd, to ruin me design'd;

And cruel Men, that fear no God, against my Soul combin'd.

4, 5 But God takes part with all my Friends; and he's the furest Guard:

The God of Truth shall give my Foes their Falshood's just Reward.

6 While I my grateful Off'rings bring, and facrifice with Joy;

And in his Praise my Time to come delightfully employ.

7 From dreadful Danger and Diftress
the Lord hath set me free:

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Thro' him, shall I of all my Foes the just Destruction see.

PSALM LV.

INTERIOR THOU Judge of all the Earth, and liften when I pray;

Nor from thy humble Suppliant turn thy glorious Face away.

2 Attend to this my fad Complaint, and hear my grievous Moans; Whilst I my mournful Case declare, with artless Sighs and Groans.

3 Hark how the Foe infults aloud! how fierce Oppressors rage!

Whose sland'rous Tongues, with wrathful Hate against my Fame engage.

4, 5 My Heart is rack'd with Pain; my Soul with deadly Frights diffress'd;

With Fear and Trembling compass'd round, with Horror quite oppress'd.

6 How often wish'd I then, that I the Dove's swift Wings could get; That I might take my speedy Flight, and seek a safe Retreat.

7, 8 Then would I wander far from hence; and in wild Defarts stray,

Till all this furious Storm were spent, this Tempest past away. PART II.

9 Destroy, O Lord, their ill Designs, their Counsels soon divide;

For, through the City, my griev'd Eyes have Strife and Rapine spy'd.

they walk their constant Round; And, in the midst of all her Strength, are Grief and Mischief found.

will fresh Disorders meet,

Deceit

Deceit and Guile their constant Posts maintain in ev'ry Street.

12 For 'twas not any open Foe, that false Resections made;

For then I could with Ease have borne the bitter Things he said:

'Twas none who Hatred had profess'd, that did against me rise;

For then I had withdrawn myself from his malicious Eyes.

13, 14 But 'twas ev'n thou, my Guide, my Friend, whom tend'rest Love did join;

Whose sweet Advice I valu'd most, whose Pray'rs were mix'd with mine.

15 Sure, Vengeance, equal to their Crimes, fuch Traitors must furprise,

And fudden Death requite those Ills they wickedly devise.

16, 17 But I will call on God, who still shall in my Aid appear:

At Morn, and Noon, and Night, I'll pray; and he my Voice shall hear.

PART III.

18 God has releas'd my Soul from those that did with me contend;

And made a num'rous Host of Friends my righteous Cause defend.

19 For he, who was my Help of old, fhall now his Suppliant hear;

And punish them, whose prosprous State makes them no God to fear.

20 Whom can I trust, if faithless Men perfidiously devise

To ruin me, their peaceful Friend, and break the strongest Ties?

21 Tho' foft and melting are their Words, their Hearts with War abound:

Their Speeches are more smooth than Oil, and yet like Swords they wound.

22 Do thou, my Soul, on God depend, and he shall thee sustain:

He aids the Just, whom to supplant the Wicked strive in vain.

23 My Foes, that trade in Lyes and Blood, shall all untimely die;

Whilst I, for Health and Length of Days, on Thee, my God, rely.

PSALM LVI.

Thou, O God, in Mercy help;
for Man my Life pursues:

To crush me with repeated Wrongs,
he daily Strife renews.

2 Continually my spiteful Foes to ruin me combine;

Thou feeft, who fitt'st inthron'd on High, what mighty Numbers join.

3 But, tho' fometimes surpriz'd by Fear (on Danger's first Alarm); Yet still for Sucçour I depend

on thy Almighty Arm.

4 God's faithful Promise I shall praise, on which I now rely:

In God I trust, and trusting him, the Arm of Flesh defy.

9 They wrest my Words, and make them speak a Sense they never meant:

Their Thoughts are all, with restless Spite, on my Destruction bent.

6 In close Assemblies they combine, and wicked Projects lay:

They watch my Steps, and lie in wait to make my Soul their Prey.

7 Shall fuch Injustice still escape O righteous God, arise;

Let thy just Wrath (too long provok'd) this impious Race chastise.

Thou numb'rest all my wand'ring Steps, fince first compell'd to see:

My

My very Tears are treasur'd up, and register'd by Thee.

9 When therefore I invoke thy Aid, my Foes shall be o'erthrown; For I am well assur'd, that God my righteous Cause will own.

10, 11 I'll trust God's Word, and so despise the Force that Man can raise;

12 To Thee, O God, my Vows are due; to Thee I'll render Praise.

13 Thou hast retriev'd my Soul from Death; and Thou wilt still secure

The Life Thou hast so oft preserv'd, and make my Footsteps sure.

That thus protected by thy Pow'r, I may this Light enjoy;

And in the Service of my God my lengthen'd Days employ. PSALM LVII.

On thy Protection I depend;
And to thy Wing for Shelter hafte,

Till this outrageous Storm is past.
2 To thy Tribunal, Lord, I sly,

Thou Sov'reign Judge, and God most High, Who Wonders hast for me begun, And wilt not leave thy Work undone.

3 From Heav'n protect me by thy Arm, And shame all those who seek my Harm: To my Relief thy Mercy send,

And Truth, on which my Hopes depend.

4 For I with favage Men converse, Like hungry Lions wild and fierce; With Men whose Teeth are Spears, their Words Invenom'd Darts, and two edg'd Swords.

5 Be Thou, O God, exalted high; And, as thy Glory fills the Sky, So let it be on Earth display'd; Till Thou art here, as there obey'd.

6 To

And had almost my Soul ensnar'd;
But fell themselves, by just Decree,
Into the Pit they made for me.

7 O God, my Heart is fix'd, 'tis bent,
Its thankful Tribute to present;
And, with my Heart, my Voice I'll raise
To Thee, my God, in Songs of Praise.

8 Awake, my Glory; Harp and Lute, No longer let your Strings be mute: And I, my tuneful Part to take, Will with the early Dawn awake.

9 Thy Praises, Lord, I will resound To all the list'ning Nations round:

Thy Truth beyond the Clouds extends.

And, as thy Glory fills the Sky, So let it be on Earth display'd; Till Thou art here, as there obey'd.

PSALM LVIII.

PEAK, O ye Judges of the Earth,

Or must not Innocence appeal

to Heav'n, from your Decree?
2 Your wicked Hearts and Judgments are alike by Malice sway'd;

Your griping Hands, by weighty Bribes, to Violence betray'd.

3 To Virtue Strangers from the Womb, their Infant Steps went wrong:

They prattled Slander, and in Lyes employ'd their lifping Tongue.

4 No Serpent of parch'd Afric's Breed does ranker Poison bear;

The drowfy Adder will as foon unlock his fullen Ear.

5 Unmov'd by good Advice, and deaf as Adders they remain;

From

From whom the skilful Charmer's Voice can no Attention gain.

6 Defeat, O God, their threat'ning Rage, and timely break their Pow'r:

Disarm these growing Lion's Jaws, ere practis'd to devour.

7 let now their Insolence at Height, like ebbing Tides be spent;

Their shiver'd Darts deceive their Aim, when they their Bow have bent.

8 Like Snails, let them diffolve to Slime; like hasty Births become,

Unworthy to behold the Sun, and dead within the Womb.

9 Ere Thorns can make the Flesh-pots boil, tempestuous Wrath shall come

From God, and fnatch them hence alive to their eternal Doom.

their Crimes fuch Vengeance meet;
And Saints in Persecutors Blood
shall dip their harmless Feet.

Transgressors then, with Grief shall see just Men Rewards obtain;

And own a God, whose Justice will the guilty Earth arraign.

PSALM LIX.

DELIVER me, O Lord my God, from all my spiteful Foes;
In my Defence oppose thy Pow'r to theirs who me oppose.

2 Preserve me from a wicked Race, who make a Trade of III; Protect me from remorseless Men, who seek my Blood to spill.

3 They lie in wait, and mighty Pow'rs against my Life combine, Implacable; yet, Lord, Thou know'ft, for no Offence of mine.

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4 In Haste they run about and watch my guiltless Life to take:

Look down, O Lord, on my Distress, and to my Help awake.

5 Thou, Lord of Hosts, and Israel's God; their Heathen Rage suppress;

Relentless Vengeance take on those who stubbornly transgress.

6 At Ev'ning, to befet my House, like growling Dogs they meet; While others through the City range,

and ranfack ev'ry Street.

7 Their Throats invenom'd Slander breathe; their Tongues are sharpen'd Swords:

"Who hears? (fay they) or, hearing, dares "reprove our lawless Words?"

8 But from thy Throne Thou shalt, O Lord, their baffled Plots deride;

And foon to Scorn and Shame expose their boasted Heathen Pride.

y 9 On Thee I wait; 'tis on thy Strength for Succour I depend:

'Tis Thou, O God, art my Defence, who only canst defend.

10 Thy Mercy, Lord, which has fo oft from Danger fet me free,

Shall crown my Wishes, and subdue my haughty Foes to me.

11 Destroy them not, O Lord, at once; restrain thy vengeful Blow;

Lest we, ungratefully, too foon forget their Overthrow.

Disperse them through the Nations round, by thy avenging Pow'r:

Do Thou bring down their haughty Pride, O Lord, our Shield and Tow'r.

12 Now, in the Height of all their Hopes, their Arrogance chastise;

Whose

Whose Tongues have sinn'd without Restraint, and Curses join'd with Lyes.

13 Nor shalt Thou, whilst their Race endures, thine Anger, Lord, suppress; That distant Lands, by their just Doom,

may Ifrael's God confess.

14 At Év'ning let them still persist, like growling Dogs to meet; Still wander all the City round, and traverse ev'ry Street.

15 Then, as for Malice now they do, for Hunger let them stray;

And yell their vain Complaints aloud, defeated of their Prey.

thy wond'rous Pow'r confess;

For Thou haft been my fure Defence, my Refuge in Diffress.

O Gou, my Strength, I'll fing:

Thou art my God, the Rock from whence my Health and Safety spring.

PSALM LX.
GOD, who haft our Troops dispers'd,

As we thy just Displeasure mourn;
To us, in Mercy, Lord, return.

2 Our Strength, that firm as Earth did stand, Is rent by thy avenging Hand:

O! heal the Breaches Thou hast made: We shake, we fall, without thy Aid!

3 Our Folly's sad Effects we seel;

For, drunk with Discord's Cup, we reel.

4 But now, for them who Thee rever'd, Thou haft thy Truth's bright Banner rear'd.

Lord, hear the Pray'rs that we direct.

6 The Holy God has spoke; and I, O'erjoy'd, on his firm Word rely.

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To Thee in Portions I'll divide Fair Sichem's Soil, Samaria's Pride: To Sichem, Succoth next I'll join, And measure out her Vale by Line.

To my Commands, with Ephraim's Tribe;
Ephraim by Arms supports my Cause,
And Judah by religious Laws.

8 Moab my Slave and Drudge shall be, Nor Edom from my Yoke get free; Proud Palestine's imperious State Shall humbly on our Triumph wait.

9 But who shall quell these mighty Pow'rs, And clear my Way to Edom's Tow'rs? Or through her guarded Frontiers tread The Path that does to Conquest lead?

Our Troops (for we forfook Thee first,)
Those whom Thou didst in Wrath forsake,
Aton'd, Thou wilt victorious make.

For human Succours are but vain.

Tis he treads down our proudest Foes.

PSALM LXI.

ORD, hear my Cry, regard my Pray'r,
which I, oppres'd with Grief,

2 From Earth's remotest Parts address To Thee, for kind Relief.

O! lodge me fafe, beyond the Reach of perfecuting Pow'r;

3 Thou, who to oft from spiteful Foes hast been my sheltring i ow'r.

4 So shall I in thy facred Courts fecure from Danger lie;
Beneath the Covert of thy Wings, all suture Storms defy.

5 In Sign my Vows are heard, once more I o'er thy Chosen reign:

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6 O! bless with long and prosp'rous Life the King Thou didst ordain.

7 Confirm his Throne, and make his Reign accepted in thy Sight;

And let thy Truth and Mercy both in his Defence unite.

8 So shall I ever sing thy Praise, thy Name for ever bless;

Devote my prosp'rous Days to pay the Vows of my Distress.

PSALM LXII.

1, 2 Y Soul for Help on God relies; from him alone my Safety flows:

My Rock, my Health, that Strength supplies, to bear the Shock of all my Foes.

3 How long will ye contrive my Fall, which will but haften on your own! You'll totter like a bending Wall,

or Fence of uncemented Stone.

4 To make my envy'd Honours less, they strive with Lyes, their chief Delight; For they, tho' with their Mouths they bless, in private curse with inward Spite.

5, 6 But thou, my Soul, on God rely; on him alone thy Trust repose:

My Rock and Health will Strength supply, to bear the Shock of all my Foes.

7 God does his faving Health dispense, and flowing Bleffings daily send:

He is my Fortress and Defence; on him my Soul shall still depend,

S In him, ye People, always trust; before his Throne pour out your Hearts;

For God, the Merciful and Just, his timely Aid to us imparts.

9 The Vulgar fickle are and frail; the Great diffemble and betray;

G 4 And,

And, laid in Truth's impartial Scale, the lightest Things will both outweigh.

by Spoil and Rapine grow not vain;
Nor let your Hearts, if Wealth increase,
be fet too much upon your Gain.

and I this Truth have fully known;
To be of boundless Pow'r posses'd,
belongs, of Right, to God alone.

in which he chiefly takes Delight;
Yet he will all the human Race
according to their Works requite.
PSALM LXIII.

GOD, my gracious God, to Thee
My Morning Pray'rs shall offer'd be;
tor Thee my thirsty Soul does pant;
My fainting Flesh implores thy Grace,
within this dry and barren Place,
where I refreshing Waters want.

2 O! to my longing Eyes, once more, That View of glorious Pow'r restore, which thy majestic House displays:

Because to me thy wond'rous Love
Than Life itself does dearer prove,
my Lips shall always speak thy Praise.

4 My Lite, while I that Life enjoy, In bleffing God I will employ; with lifted Hands adore his Name:

5 My Soul's Content shall be as great As theirs who choicest Dainties eat, while I with Joy his Praise proclaim.

When down I lie, fweet Sleep to find,
Thou, Lord, art present to my Mind;
and when I wake in Dead of Night,

7 Eecause Thou still dost Succour bring, Beneath the Shadow of thy Wing I rest with Sasety and Delight. 8 My Soul, when Foes would me devour, Cleaves fast to Thee, whose matchless Pow'r in her Support is daily shown:

9 But those the righteous Lord shall slay, That my Destruction wish; and they that seek my Life, shall lose their own.

Their Flesh a Prey to Foxes lie;
but God shall fill the King with Joy:
Who swears by Thee shall still rejoice;
Whilst the false Tongue, and lying Voice,
Thou, Lord, shalt silence and destroy.

PSALM LXIV.

ORD, hear the Voice of my Complaint, to my Request give Ear:

Preserve my Life from cruel Foes, and free my Soul from Fear.

2 O! hide me, with thy tend'rest Care, in some secure Retreat,

From Sinners that against me rise; and all their Plots defeat.

3 See how, intent to work my Harm, they whet their Tongues like Swords; And bend their Bows to shoot their Darts,

sharp Lyes, and bitter Words.

4 Lurking in private, at the Just they take their secret Aim; And suddenly at him they shoot, quite void of Fear and Shame.

5 To carry on their ill Designs they mutually agree;

They speak of laying private Snares, and think that none shall see.

6 With utmost Diligence and Care their wicked Plots they lay:

The deep Designs of all their Hearts are only to betray.

7 But God, to Anger justly mov'd, his dreadful Bow shall bend,

And

And on his flying Arrow's Point shall swift Destruction fend.

8 Those Slanders which their Mouths did vent, upon themselves shall fall:

Their Crimes, disclos'd, shall make them be

despis'd and shunn'd by all.

9 The World shall then God's Pow'r confess; and Nations trembling stand;

Convinced, that 'tis the mighty Work of his avenging Hand;

in him shall gladly trust;

And all the lift ning Earth shall hear loud Triumphs of the Just.

PSALM LXV.

FOR Thee, O God, our constant Praise in Sion waits, thy chosen Seat:
Our promis'd Altars there we'll raise, and all our zealous Vows complete.

2 O Thou, who to my humble Pray'r didst always bend thy list'ning Ear, To Thee shall all Mankind repair, and at thy gracious Throne appear.

3 Our Sins (tho' numberless) in vain to stop thy slowing Mercy try;
Whilst Thou o'erlook'st the guilty Stain,

and washest out the Crimson Dye.

Whilst we, at humbler Distance taste the vast Delights thy Temple gives.

5 By wond'rous Acts, O God, most Just, have we thy gracious Answer found:

In Thee remotest Nations trust,

and those whom stormy Waves surround.

6, 7 God, by his Strength, fets fast the Hills, and does his matchless Pow'r engage;
With which the Sea's loud Waves he stills,

and angry Clouds tumultuous Rage.

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9 Thou, Lord, dost barb'rous Lands dismay, when they thy dreadful Tokens view:
With Joy they see the Night and Day each other's Track, by Turns, pursue.

o From out thy unexhautted Store
thy Rain relieves the thirsty Ground;
Makes Lands that barren were before,
with Corn, and useful Fruits, abound.

no On rifing Ridges down it pours, and ev'ry furrow'd Valley falls:

Thou mak'st them soft with gentle Show'rs, in which a blest Increase distils.

with fresh Returns of Plenty crown;
And where thy glorious Paths appear,
thy fruitful Clouds drop Fatness down.

by them to Pastures fresh and green:

The Hills about, in Order rang'd, in beauteous Robes of Joy are seen.

the chearful Downs; the Valleys bring A plenteous Crop of full-ear'd Corn,

and feem for Joy, to shout and sing.

PSALM LXVI.

X1, 2 ET all the Lands, with Shouts of Joy, to God their Voices raise;
Sing Plalms, in Honour of his Name, and spread his glorious Praise.

/3 And let them say, How dreadful, Lord, in all thy Works, art Thou!

To thy great Pow'r thy stubborn Foes shall all be forc'd to bow.

4 Thro' all the Earth the Nations round shall Thee their God confess:

And, with glad Hymns, their awful Dread of thy great Name express.

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o ! come, behold the Works of God; and then with me, you'll own, That he to all the Sons of Men has wond'rous Judgments shown.

6 He made the Sea become dry Land, through which our Fathers walk'd; Whilft to each other of his Might

with Joy his People talk'd.

7 He, by his Pow'r, for ever rules; his Eyes the World furvey:

Let no prefumptuous Man rebel against his Sov'reign Sway.

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8, 9 O! all ye Nations, bless our God, and loudly speak his Praise;
Who keeps our Soul alive, and still confirms our stedsaft Ways.

10 For Thou hast try'd us, Lord, as Fire does try the precious Ore:

Thou brought'st us into Streights, where we oppressing Burdens bore.

through Fire and Water chase;

But yet, at last, thou brought'st us forth into a wealthy Place.

13 Burnt off'rings to thy House I'll bring, and there my Vows I'll pay;

14 Which I with folemn Zeal did make in Trouble's difmal Day.

15 Then shall the richest Incense smoke, the fattest Rams shall fall,

The choicest Goats from out the Fold, and Bullocks from the Stall.

16 O! come, all ye that fear the Lord; attend with heedful Care,

Whilft I what God for me has done, with grateful Joy, declare.

17, 18 As I, before, his Aid implored, fo now I praise his Name;

Who,

Who, if my Heart had harbour'd Sin, would all my Prayers disclaim.

19 But God to me, whene'er I cry'd, his gracious Ear did bend;

And to the Voice of my Request, with constant Love, attend.

20 Then bless'd for ever be my God, who never, when I pray,

With-holds his Mercy from my Soul, nor turns his Face away!

PSALM LXVII.

I O bless thy chosen Race, in Mercy. Lord, incline; And cause the Brightness of thy Face

on all thy Saints to shine;

2 That fo thy wond'rous Way
may through the World be known;

While diftant Lands their Tribute pay, and thy Salvation own.

3 Let diff'ring Nations join to celebrate thy Fame;

Let all the World, O Lord, combine to praise thy glorious Name.

4 O let them shout and sing, dissolv'd in pious Mirth;

For Thou, the righteous Judge and King, shalt govern all the Earth.

5 Let diff'ring Nations join to celebrate thy Fame;

Let all the World, O Lord, combine to praise thy glorious Name.

6 Then shall the teeming Ground a large Increase disclose;

And we with Plenty shall be crown'd, which God, our God, bestows.

7 Then God upon our Land fhall constant Bleffings show'r;

And all the World in Awe shall stand of his resistless Pow'r.

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## PSALM LXVIII.

Let shameful Rout their Host surprise, who spitefully his Pow'r oppose.

2 As Smoke in Tempests Rage is lost, or Wax into the Furnace cast; So let their facrilegious Host

before his wrathful Presence waste.

But let the Servants of his Will his Favour's gentle Beams enjoy:
Their upright Hearts let Gladness fill, and chearful Songs their Tongues employ.

4 To him your Voice in Anthems raise:

Jehovah's awful Name he bears:

In him rejoice, extol his Praise, who rides upon high-rolling Spheres.

5 Him, from his Empire of the Skies, to this low World Compassion draws, The Orphan's Claim to patronize, and judge the injur'd Widow's Cause.

6 'Tis God, who from a foreign Soil restores poor Exiles to their Home;
Makes Captives free; and fruitless Toil their proud Oppressors righteous Doom.

7 'Twas fo of old, when Thou didst lead in Person, Lord, our Armies forth; Strange Terrors thro' the Desart spread, Convulsions shook th' astonish'd Earth.

8 The breaking Clouds did Rain distil, and Heav'ns high Arches shook with Fear: How then should Sinai's humble Hill of Israel's God the Presence bear?

9 Thy Hand, at famish'd Earth's Complaint, reliev'd her from celestial Stores;

And when thy Heritage was faint, affwag'd the Drought with plenteous Show'rs.

at Ease Thou mad'st our Tribes reside;

And

And in the Defart, for the Poor, thy gen'rous Bounty did provide. P A R T II.

and in that pow'rful Word o'ercame;
Whilst Virgin-troops, with Songs of Mirth,
in State our Conquest did proclaim.

as yet had ne'er receiv'd a Foil,
Forsook their Camp with sudden Dread,
and to our Women left the Spoil.

your Army's Wings shall shine as bright, As Doves in golden Sunshine seen,

or filver'd o'er with paler Light.

14 'Twas fo, when God's Almighty Hand
o'er scatter'd Kings the Conquest won;

Our Troops drawn up on Jordan's Strand, high Salmon's glitt'ring Snow outshone.

15 From thence to Jordan's farther Coast, and Bashan's Hill, we did advance: No more her Height shall Bashan boast, but that she's God's Inheritance.

16 But wherefore (tho' the Honour's great)
fhould this, O Mountain, swell your Pride?
For Sion is his chosen Seat,
where He for ever will reside.

17 His Chariots numberless; his Pow'rs are heav'nly Hosts that wait his Will; His Presence now fills Sion's Tow'rs, as once it honour'd Sinai's Hill.

18 Ascending high, in Triumph Thou
Captivity hast captive led;
And on thy People didst bestow
the Spoil of Armies, once their Dream

Ev'n Rebels shall partake thy Grace, and humble Proselytes repair

To worship at thy Dwelling-place, and all the World pay Homage there. 19 For Benefits each Day bestow'd, be daily his great Name ador'd;

of Life and Death the Sov'reign Lord.

21 But Justice for his harden'd Foes proportion'd Vengeance hath decreed, To wound the hoary Head of those who in presumptuous Crimes proceed.

22 The Lord has thus in Thunder spoke, "As I subdu'd proud Bashan's King,

"Once more I'll break my People's Yoke,
"and from the Deep my Servants bring:

"of flaughter'd Foes be cover'd o'er;

"nor Earth receive fuch impious Blood,

but leave for Dogs th' unhallow'd Gore."

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24 When, marching to thy bleft Abode, the wond'ring Multitude survey'd The pompous State of Thee, our God, in Robes of Majesty array'd;

25 Sweet-singing Levites led the Van; loud Instruments brought up the Rear; Between both Troops a Virgin Train with Voice and Timbrel charm'd the Ear:

26 This was the Burden of their Song:
"in full Affemblies bless the Lord:
"All who to Israel's Tribes belong,

" the God of Ifrael's Praise record."

from neighb'ring Bounds did there attend,
Nor only Judah's nearer Throne

her Counsellors in State did send.

But Zebulon's remoter Seat,
and Naphtali's more distant Coast,
(The grand Procession to complete)

fent up their Tribes, a princely Hoft.

28 Thus God to Strength and Union brought our Tribes, at Strife till that bleft Hour. This Work, which Thou, O God, hast wrought, confirm with fresh Recruits of Pow'r.

29 To visit Salem, Lord, descend, and Sion, thy terrestrial Throne; Where Kings with Presents shall attend, and Thee with offer'd Crowns atone.

30 Break down the Spearmens Ranks, who threat, like pamper'd Herds of favage Might:
Their filver armour'd Chiefs defeat, who in destructive War delight.

31 Egypt shall then to God stretch forth her Hands, and Afric Homage bring:

32 The scatter'd Kingdoms of the Earth their common Sov'reign's Praises sing;

of antient Heav'n, fublimely rides; From whence his dreadful Voice we hear, like that of warring Winds and Tides.

34 Ascribe ye Pow'r to God most High: of humble Isr'el he takes care; Whose Strength, from out the dusky Sky, darts shining Terrors through the Air.

35 How dre idful are the facred Courts,
where God has fix'd his earthly Throne!
His Strength his feeble Saints supports.
to God give Praise, and him alone.

PSALM LXIX.

SAVE me, O God, from Waves that roll, And press to overwhelm my Soul.
With painful Steps in Mire I tread,

And Deluges o'erflow my Head.

My Voice is hoarse with long Complaint;
My Sight decays with tedious Pain,
Whilst for my God I wait in vain.

4 My Hairs, tho' num'rous, are but few Compar'd with Foes that me pursue With groundless Hate, grown now of Might, To execute their lawless Spite:

They force me, guiltless to resign;
As Rapine, what by Right was mine.

5 Thou, Lord, my Innocence dost fee, Nor are my Sins conceal'd from Thee.

6 Lord God of Hosts, take timely Care, Lest, for my sake, thy Saints despair: 7 Since I have suffer'd for thy Name

Reproach, and hid my Face in Shame;

8 A Stranger to my Country grown, Nor to my nearest Kindred known; A Foreigner, exposed to Scorn By Brethren of my Mother born.

o For Zeal to thy lov'd House and Name Consumes me like devouring Flame; Concern'd at their Affronts to Thee, More than at Slanders cast on me.

They construe in a spiteful Sense.

They me their common Proverb make.

Their Judges make my Wrongs their Jest,
Those Wrongs they ought to have redress'd.
How should I then expect to be
From Libels of lewd Drunkards free?

For Help, with humble, timely Pray'r: Relieve me from thy Mercy's Store: Display thy Truth's preserving Pow'r.

14 From threat'ning Dangers me relieve, And from the Mire my Feet retrieve; From spiteful Foes in Safety keep, And snatch me from the raging Deep.

And roll its Waves above my Head:

Nor

Nor deep Destruction's yawning Pit To close her Jaws on me permit.

16 Lord, hear the humble Pray'r I make, For thy transcending Goodness' sake; Relieve thy Supplicant once more, From thy abounding Mercy's Store.

17 Nor from thy Servant hide thy Face: Make hafte; for desp'rate is my Case:

18 Thy timely Succour interpofe,

And shield me from remorfeless Foes.

I from my Enemies have borne; Nor can their close diffembled Spite, Or darkest Plots, escape thy Sight.

I look'd for some to take my Part,
To pity or relieve my Pain;
But look'd, alas! for both in vain.

Instead of Food, they give me Gall:
And when with Third my Spirits sink,
They give me Vinegar to drink.

22 Their Table, therefore, to their Health Shall prove a Snare, a Trap their Wealth;

23 Perpetual Darkness seize their Eyes, And sudden Blasts their Hopes surprise.

24 On them Thou shalt thy Fury pour, Till thy fierce Wrath their Race devour;

25 And make their House a dismal Cell, Where none will e'er vouchsafe to dwell.

For new Afflictions they procur'd For him who had thy Stripes endur'd; And made the Wounds thy Scourge had torn, to bleed afresh, with sharper Scorn.

27 Sin shall to Sin their Steps betray, Till they to Truth have lost the Way.

28 From Life Thou shalt exclude their Soul, Nor with the Just their Names invol.

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29 But

29 But me, howe'er diffress'd and poor, Thy strong Salvation shall restore.

30 Thy Pow'r with Songs I'll then proclaim, And celebrate with Thanks thy Name.

31 Our God shall this more highly prize, Than Herds or Flocks in Sacrifice:

32 Which humble Saints with Joy shall see, And hope for like Redress with me.

33 For God regards the Poors Complaint; Sets Pris'ners free from close Restraint.

34 Let Heav'n, Earth, Sea, their Voices raise, And all the World resound his Praise.

Fair Judah's Cities He'll protect;
Till all her scatter'd Sons repair
To undisturb'd Possession there.

To their religious Heirs bequeath;
And they to endless Ages more,
Of such as his blest Name adore.
PSALMLXX.

for never was more pressing Need:

For my Deliv'rance, Lord, appear,
and add to that Deliv'rance Speed.

2 Confusion on their Heads return, who to destroy my Soul combine: Let them, deseated, blush and mourn, ensnar'd in their own vile Design.

3 Their Doom let Desolation be; with Shame their Malice be repaid, Who mock'd my Confidence in Thee, and Sport of my Affliction made:

4 While those who humbly seek thy Face, to joyful Triumphs shall be rais'd; And all who prize thy saving Grace, with me shall sing, The Lord be prais'd.

5 Thus wretched the I am, and poor, the mighty Lord of me takes Care:

Tho:

Thou, God, who only canst restore, to my Relief with Speed repair. P S A L M LXXI.

Incline thine Ear, and fave my Soul;

for righteous is thy Name.

3 Be thou my strong Abiding-place, to which I may resort:

'Tis thy Decree that keeps me safe; Thou art my Rock and Fort.

4, 5 From cruel and ungodly Men protect and fet me free;

For, from my earliest Youth till now my Hope has been in Thee.

6 Thy constant Care did fafely guard my tender infant Days;

Thou took'st me from my Mother's Womb, to fing thy constant Praise.

7, 8 While fome on me with Wonder gaze, thy Hand supports me still:

Thy Honour, therefore, and thy Praise, my Mouth shall always fill.

9 Reject not then thy Servant, Lord, when I with Age decay:

Forfake me not, when worn with Years my Vigour fades away.

10 My Foes, against my Fame and me, with crasty Malice speak;

Against my Soul they lay their Snares, and mutual Counsel take.

" His God, say they, forsakes him now, on whom he did rely:

" Pursue and take him, whilst no Hope " of timely Aid is nigh."

12 But Thou, my God, withdraw not far: for speedy Help I call;

13 To Shame and Ruin bring my Foes, that feek to work my Fall.

fhall on thy Pow'r depend;
And I in grateful Songs of Praise
my Time to come will spend.

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my Mouth shall still declare;
Unable yet to count them all,
tho' imm'd with utmost Care.

16 While God vouchfafes me his Support,
I'll in his Strength go on;
All other Righteousness disclaim,
and mention his alone.

Y 17 Thou, Lord, hast taught me from my Youth, to praise thy glorious Name:
And, ever fince, thy wond'rous Works have been my constant Theme.

am grey and feeble grown;

Till I to these, and future Times, thy Strength and Pow'r have shown.

19 How high thy Justice soars, O God! how great and wondrous are

The mighty Works which Thou hast done? who may with Thee compare!

20 Me, whom thy Hand has forely press'd, thy Grace shall yet relieve;

And, from the lowest Depth of Woe, with tender Care retrieve.

21 Through Thee, my Time to come shall be with Pow'r and Greatness crown'd;
And me, who dismal Years have pass'd,
thy Comforts shall surround:

thy Truth, O Lord, I'll praise;
To Thee, the God of Jacob's Race,
my Voice in Anthems raise.

23 Then

23 Then Joy shall fill my Mouth, and Songs employ my chearful Voice.

My grateful Soul, by Thee redeem'd, shall in thy Strength rejoice.

24 My Tongue thy just and righteous Acts shall all the Day proclaim;

Because thou didst confound my Foes, and brought'st them all to Shame.

PSALM LXXII.

ORD, let thy just Decrees the King in all his Ways direct;

And let his Son throughout his Reign, thy righteous Laws respect.

2 So shall he still thy People judge, with pure and upright Mind,

Whilst all the helpless Poor shall him their just Protector find.

3 Then Hills and Mouniains shall bring forth the happy Fruits of Peace;

Which all the Land shall own to be the Work of Righteousness:

4 Whilst he the poor and needy Race shall rule with gentle Sway,

And from their humble Necks shall take oppressive Yokes away.

5 In ev'ry Heart, thy awful Fear shall then be rooted fast,

As long as Sun and Moon endure, or Time itself shall last.

6 He shall descend like Rain, that chears the Meadows second Birth;

Or like warm Show'rs, whose gentle Drops refresh the thirsty Earth.

7 In his bleft Days the Just and Good shall be with Favour crown'd;

The happy Land shall every where with endless Peace abound.

8 His uncontroul'd Dominion shall from Sea to Sea extend;

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Begin

Begin at proud Euphrates' Streams, at Nature's Limits end.

9 To him the favage Nations round shall bow their servile Heads:

His vanquish'd Foes shall lick the Dust, where he his Conquests spreads.

fhall costly Presents bring; From spicy Sheba Gifts shall come,

and wealthy Saba's King.

11 To him shall ev'ry King on Earth his humble Homage pay; And diff'ring Nations gladly join

to own his righteous Sway.

when they for Succour cry;
Shall fave the Helpless, and the Poor,
and all their Wants supply.

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13 His Providence for needy Souls,

shall due Supplies prepare;

And over their defenceless Lives shall watch with tender Care.

14 He shall preserve and keep their Souls from Fraud and Rapine free;

And, in his Sight, their guiltless Blood of mighty Price shall be.

15 Therefore shall God his Life and Reign to many Years extend;

Whilst Eastern Princes Tribute pay, and golden Presents send.

For him shall constant Prayers be made thro' all his prosp'rous Days:

His just Dominion shall afford a lasting Theme of Praise.

16 Of useful Grain, through all the Land, great Plenty shall appear:

A Handful fown on Mountain-tops a mighty Crop shall bear. Its Fruits, like Cedars shook by Winds, a rattling Noise shall yield:

The City too shall thrive and vie for Plenty with the Field.

17 The Mem'ry of his glorious Name thro' endless Years shall run;

His spotless Fame shall shine as bright and lasting as the Sun.

In him the Nations of the World shall be completely bless'd,

And his unbounded Happiness by ev'ry Tongue confess'd.

the God whom Ifrael fears;
Who only wond'rous in his Works,

beyond Compare, appears.

19 Let Earth be with his Glory fill'd; for ever bless his Name;

Whilst to his Praise the list'ning World their glad Assent proclaim.

PSALM LXXIII.

A T length, by certain Proofs, 'tis plain that God will to his Saints be kind; That all, whose Hearts are pure and clean, shall his protecting Favour find.

2, 3 Till this fustaining Truth I knew, my stagg'ring Feet had almost tail'd:

I griev'd, the Sinners Wealth to view, and envy'd when the Fools prevail'd.

4, 5 They to the Grave in Peace descend, and, whilst they live, are hale and strong; No Plague or Troubles them offend,

which oft to other Men belong.

o, 7 With Pride, as with a Chain, they're held, and Rapine feems their Robe of State; Their Eyes stand out, with Fatness swell'd; they grow, beyond their Wishes, great.

8, 9 With Hearts corrupt, and lofty Talk, oppressive Methods they defend;

Their

Their Tongue thro' all the Earth does walk, their Blasphemies to Heav'n ascend.

no And yet admiring Crouds are found,
who servile thits duly make;

Because with Plenty they abound, of which their flatt'ring Slaves partake.

Their fond Opinions these pursue, till they with them profanely cry,

" How should the Lord our Actions view?
"Can he perceive, who dwells so high?"

who openly their Sins profess;

And yet their Weath's increas'd each Day, and all their Actions meet Success.

13, 14 " Then have I cleans'd my Heart (faid I) " and wash'd my Hands from Guilt, in vain;

" If all the Day oppress'd I lie, and ev'ry Morning suffer Pain."

But if such Things I rashly say,
Thy Children, Lord, I must offend,
and basely should their Cause betray.

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but found the Case too hard for me;

Till to the House of God I went:

Till to the House of God I went: Then I their End did plainly see.

on slipp'ry Places loosely stand; Thence into Ruin headlong fall, cast down by thy avenging Hand.

19, 20 How dreadful and how quick their Fate! despis'd by Thee, when they're destroy'd;

As waking Men with Scorn do treat the Fancies that their Dreams employ'd.

21, 22 Thus was my Heart with Grief opprest, my Reins were rack'd with restless Pains; So stupid was I, like a Beast,

who no reflecting Thought retains.

23, 24 Yet

23, 24 Yet still thy Presence me supply'd, and thy Right-hand Assistance gave; Thou sirst shalt with thy Counsel guide, and then to Glory me receive.

have I, whole Favour I require?

Throughout the spacious Earth there's none

that I besides Thee can desire.

may often fail to fuccour me;
But God shall inward Strength impart,
and my eternal Portion be.

fhall into sudden Ruin fall:

If after other Gods they rove,
thy Vengeance shall destroy them all.

28 But as for me, 'tis good and just, that I should still to God repair:

In him I always put my Trust, and will his wond'rous Works declare. PSALM LXXIV.

WHY hast Thou cast us off, O God?
wilt Thou no more return?
Oh! why against thy chosen Flock
does thy fierce Anger burn?

2 Think on thy antient Purchase, Lord, the Land that is thy own,

By Thee redeem'd; and Sion's Mount, where once thy Glory shone.

3 Oh! come and view our ruin'd State! how long our Troubles last!

See how the Foe, with wicked Rage has laid thy Temple waste!

4 Thy Foes blaspheme thy Name: Where late thy zealous Servants pray'd, The Heathen there, with haughty Pomp,

their Banners have display'd.

5, 6 Those curious Carvings, which did once advance the Artists Fame,

With Ax and Hammer they destroy, like Works of vulgar Frame.

7 Thy holy Temple they have burn'd; and what escap'd the Flame

Has been profan'd, and quite defac'd, tho' facred to thy Name.

8 Thy Worship wholly to destroy maliciously they aim'd;

And all the facred Places burn'd, where we thy Praise proclaim'd.

9 Yet of thy Presence Thou vouchsaf'dst no tender Signs to send:

We have no Prophet now, that knows when this fad State shall end.

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th' infulting Foe to boast?

Shall all the Honour of thy Name for evermore be lost?

11 Why hold'st Thou back thy strong Right-hand, and on thy patient Breast,

When Vengeance calls to stretch it forth, fo calmly lett'ft it rest?

12 Thou heretofore, with kingly Pow'r, in our Defence hast fought;

For us, throughout the wond'ring World, haft great Salvation wrought.

13 'Twas Thou, O God, that didft the Sea, by thy own Strength divide:

Thou brak'st the watry Monster's Head, the Waves o'erwhelm'd their Pride.

14 The greatest, fiercest of them all, that seem'd the Deep to sway,

Was by thy Pow'r destroy'd, and made to savage Beasts a Prey,

15 Thou

15 Thou clav'st the solid Rock, and mad'st the Waters largely flow;

Again, Thou mad'ft thro' parting Streams, thy wand'ring People go.

16 Thine is the chearful Day, and thine the black Return of Night;

Thou hast prepar'd the glorious Sun, and ev'ry feebler Light.

17 By Thee the Borders of the Earth in perfect Order stand:

The Summer's Warmth, and Winter's Cold, attend on thy Command.

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18 Remember, Lord, how fcornful Foes have daily urg'd our Shame; And how the foolish People have blasphem'd thy holy Name.

19 Oh, free thy mourning Turtle-dove, by finful Crouds befet;

Nor the Assembly of thy Poor for evermore forget.

and make thy Promise good;
For now each Corner of the Land
is fill'd with Men of Blood.

21 O let not the Oppress'd return, with Sorrow cloath'd, and Shame; But let the Helpless, and the Poor, for ever praise thy Name.

22 Arise, O God, in our Behalf; thy Cause and ours maintain: Remember how insulting Fools each Day thy Name profane!

23 Make Thou the Boastings of thy Foes for ever, Lord, to cease; Whose Insolence, if unchastiz'd, will more and more increase. PSALM LXXV.

To Thee, O God, we render Praise, to Thee with Thanks repair;

For, that thy Name to us is nigh, thy wond'rous Works declare.

2 In Isr'el, when my Throne is fix'd, with me shall Justice reign.

3 The Land with Discord shakes; but I the finking Frame sustain.

4 Deluded Wretches I advis'd their Errors to redress;

And warn'd bold Sinners, that they should their swelling Pride suppress.

5 Bear not yourselves so high, as if no Pow'r could yours restrain:

Submit your stubborn Necks, and learn to speak with less Disdain.

6 For that Promotion, which to gain your vain Ambition strives,

From neither East, nor West, nor yet from Southern Climes arrives.

7 For God the great Disposer is, and Sovereign Judge alone,

Who casts the Proud to Earth, and lifts the Humble to a Throne.

8 His Hand holds forth a dreadful Cup; with purple Wine 'tis crown'd:

The deadly Mixture, which his Wrath deals out to Nations round.

Of this his Saints fometimes may tafte; but wicked Men shall squeeze

The bitter Dregs, and be condemn'd to drink the very Lees.

9 His Prophet, I to all the World this Meffage will relate:

The Justice then of Jacob's God my Song shall celebrate.

their Cruelty disarm;

Exalt

Exalt the Just, and seat him high, above the Reach of Harm.
PSALM LXXVI.

IN Judah the Almighty's known (Almighty, there, by Wonders shown):
His Name in Jacob does excel:

2 His Sanctuary in Salem stands:

The Majesty that Heav'n commands in Sion condescends to dwell.

3 He brake the Bow and Arrows there, The Shield, the temper'd Sword, and Spear; there flain the mighty Army lay:

4 Whence Sion's Fame thro' Earth is spread, Of greater Glory, greater Dread, than Hills where Robbers lodge their Prey.

Their valiant Chiefs, who came for Spoil, Themselves met there a shameful Foil: Securely down to Sleep they lay;

But wak'd no more; their stoutest Band

Ne'er lifted one refisting Hand 'gainst his that did their Legions slay.

6 When Jacob's God began to frown,
Both Horse and Charioteers o'erthrown,

together slept in endles Night.

7 When Thou, whom Earth and Heav'n revere,
Dost once with wrathful Look appear,
what mortal Pow'r can stand thy Sight?

8 Pronounc'd from Heav'n, Earth heard its Doom; Grew hush'd with Fear, when Thou didst come,

9 the Meek, with Justice to restore.

Its last Attempts but serve to raise the Triumphs of Almighty Pow'r.

Vow'd Presents to th' Eternal King:
Thus to his Name due Rev'rence pay,

To earthly Kings more terrible, than to their trembling Subjects, they.

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PSALM LXXVII.

TO God I cry'd, who to my Help did graciously repair;

2 In Trouble's dismal Day I sought my God with humble Pray'r.

All Night my fest'ring Wound did run; no Med'cine gave Relief;

My Soul no Comfort would admit, my Soul indulg'd her Grief.

3 1 thought on God, and Favours past; but that increas'd my Pain:

I found my Spirit more oppress'd, the more I did complain.

Thro' ev'ry Watch of tedious Night Thou keep'st my Eyes awake; My Grief is swell'd to that Excess,

I figh, but cannot speak.

5 I call'd to Mind the Days of old, with fignal Mercy crown'd;

Those famous Years of antient Times, for Miracles renown'd.

6 By Night I recollect my Songs, on former Triumphs made;

Then fearch, confult, and ask my Heart, Where's now that wond'rous Aid?

7 Has God for ever cast me off? withdrawn his Favour quite?

8 Are both his Mercy and his Truth retir'd to endless Night?

9 Can his long-practis'd Love forget its wonted Aids to bring?

Has he in Wrath shut up and seal'd his Mercy's healing Spring?

10 I faid, My Weakness hints these Fears; but I'll my Fears disband;

I'll yet remember the Most High, and Years of his Right-hand.

11 I'll call to Mind his Works of old, the Wonders of his Might;

12 On

12 On them my Heart shall meditate, my Tongue shall them recite.

13 Safe lodg'd from human Search on high, O God, thy Councils are!

Who is so great a God as ours? who can with him compare?

14 Long fince a God of Wonders Thee thy rescu'd People found;

15 Long fince hast Thou thy chosen Seed with strong Deliv'rance crown'd.

16 When Thee, O God, the Waters faw, the frighted Billows shrunk;

The troubled Depths themselves for Fear beneath their Channels sunk.

17 The Clouds pour'd down, while rending Skies did with their Noise conspire;

Thy Arrows all abroad were fent, wing'd with avenging Fire.

18 Heav'n with thy Thunder's Voice was torn, whilst all the lower World

With Light'ning blaz'd, Earth shook and seem'd from her Foundations hurl'd.

19 Thro' rolling Streams thou find'st thy Way, thy Paths in Waters lie;

Thy wond'rous Passage, where no Sight thy Footsteps can descry.

20 Thou led'st thy People like a Flock safe through the desart Land,

By Moses, their meek skilful Guide, And Aaron's facred Hand.

PSALM LXXVIII.

HEAR, O my People, to my Law devout Attention lend;
Let the Instruction of my Mouth deep in your Hearts descend.

2 My Tongue, by Infpiration taught, shall Parables unfold, Dark Oracles, but understood, and own'd for Truths of old;

2 Which we from facred Registers of antient Times have known,

And our Forefathers pious Care to us has handed down.

4 We will not hide them from our Sons; our Offspring shall be taught

The Praises of the Lord, whose Strength has Works of Wonder wrought.

5 For Jacob he this Law ordain'd, this League with Isr'el made;

With Charge, to be from Age to Age, from Race to Race convey'd.

6 That Generations yet to come should to their unborn Heirs

Religiously transmit the same, and they again to theirs.

7 To teach 'em that in God alone their Hope securely stands;

That they should ne'er his Works forget, but keep his just Commands.

8 Left, like their Fathers, they might prove a stiff rebellious Race,

False-hearted, fickle to their God, unstedfast in his Grace.

9 Such were revolting Ephraim's Sons, who tho' to Warfare bred;

And skilful Archers arm'd with Bows, from Field ignobly fled.

10, 11, They falfify'd their League with God, his Orders disobey'd,

Forgot his Works and Miracles before their Eyes display'd.

12 Nor Wonders, which their Fathers faw, did they in Mind retain;

Prodigious Things in Egypt done, and Zoan's fertile Plain.

13 He

13 He cut the Seas to let 'em pass, restrain'd the pressing Flood;

While pil'd on Heaps, on either Side, the folid Water stood.

14 A wondrous Pillar led them on, compos'd of Shade and Light;

A shelt'ring Cloud it prov'd by Day, a leading Fire by Night.

15 When Drought oppress'd 'em, where no Stream the Wilderness supply'd,

He cleft the Rock, whose flinty Breast dissolv'd into a Tide.

16 Streams from the folid Rock he brought, which down in Rivers fell,

That trav'lling with their Camp each Day renew'd the Miracle.

17 Yet there they finn'd against him more, provoking the most High;

In that fame Defart where he did their fainting Souls supply.

18 They first incens'd him in their Hearts, that did his Pow'r distrust,

And long'd for Meat, not urg'd by Want, but to indulge their Lust.

19 Then utter'd their blaspheming Doubts,

" Can God, fay they, prepare " A Table in the Wilderness,

" fet out with various Fare?

" He smote the slinty Rock ('tis true)
and gushing Streams ensu'd;

" But can he Corn and Flesh provide " for such a Multitude?"

21 The Lord with Indignation heard: from Heav'n avenging Flame

On Jacob fell, consuming Wrath on thankless Isr'el came.

22 Because their unbelieving Hearts in God would not confide,

To

Nor trust his Care, who had from Heav'n their Wants so oft supply'd.

23 Tho' he had made his Clouds discharge Provisions down in Show'rs;

And when Earth fail'd, reliev'd their Needs from his celestial Stores.

24 Tho' tasteful Manna was rain'd down their Hunger to relieve;

Tho' from the Stores of Heav'n they did fustaining Corn receive.

25 Thus Man with Angel's facred Food, ingrateful Man, was fed;

Not sparingly, for still they found a plenteous Table spread.

26 From Heav'n he made an East Wind blow, then did the South command

27 To rain down Flesh like Dust, and Fowls like Sea's unnumber'd Sand.

28 Within their Trenches he let fall the luscious easy Prey,

And all around their spreading Camp their feather'd Booty lay.

29 They fed, were fill'd; he gave 'em Leave their Appetites to feast;

30, 31 Yet still their wanton Lust crav'd on, nor with their Hunger ceas'd.

But whilst, in their luxurious Mouths, they did their Dainties chew,

The Wrath of God smote down their Chief, and Isr'el's Chosen slew.

## PART II.

32 Yet still they sinn'd, nor would afford his Miracles Belief;

33 Therefore thro' fruitless Travels he confum'd their Lives in Grief.

34 When some were slain, the rest return'd to God with early Cry;

35 Own'd him the Rock of their Defence, their Saviour, God most High. 36 But 36 But this was feign'd Submission all, their Heart their Tongue bely'd;

37 Their Heart was still perverse, nor would firm in his League abide.

38 Yet, full of Mercy he forgave, nor did with Death chaftise;

But turn'd his kindled Wrath afide, or would not let it rife.

39 For he remember'd they were Flesh, that could not long remain;

A murm'ring Wind that's quickly past, and ne'er returns again.

40 How oft did they provoke him there, how oft his Patience grieve,

In that same Desart where he did their fainting Souls relieve?

41 They tempted him by turning back, and wickedly repin'd;

When Ifr'el's God refus'd to be by their Defires confin'd.

42 Nor call'd to mind the Hand and Day that their Redemption brought?

43 His Signs in Egypt, wond'rous Works in Zoan's Valley wrought.

44 He turn'd their Rivers into Blood, that Man and Beast forbore;

And rather chose to die of Thirst, than drink the putrid Gore.

45 He fent devouring Swarms of Flies, hoarse Frogs annoy'd their Soil,

46 Locusts and Caterpillars reap'd the Harvest of their Toil.

47 Their Vines with batt'ring Hail were broke, with Frost the Fig-tree dies;

48 Light'ning and Hail make Flocks and Herds one general Sacrifice.

49 He turn'd his Anger loose, and set no Time for it to cease;

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And

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And with their Plagues bad Angels fent their Torments to increase.

50 He clear'd a Passage for his Wrath to ravage uncontroul'd;

The Murrain on their Firstlings seiz'd in ev'ry Field and Fold.

51 The deadly Pest from Beast to Man, from Field to City came;

It slew their Heirs, their eldest Hopes, thro' all the Tents of Ham.

52 But his own Tribe, like folded Sheep, he brought from their Distress;

And them conducted like a Flock, throughout the Wilderness.

53 He led 'em on, and in their Way. no Cause of Fear they found;

But march'd fecurely thro' those Deeps, in which their Foes were drown'd.

54 Nor ceas'd his Care till them he brought fase to his promis'd Land,

And to his holy Mount, the Prize of his victorious Hand.

55 To them the out cast Heathens Land he did by Lot divide;

And in their Foes abandon'd Tents made Isr'el's Tribes reside.

PART III.

56 Yet still they tempted, still provok'd the Wrath of God most High;

Nor would to practife his Commands their flubborn Hearts apply:

57 But in their faithless Fathers Steps perversely chose to go:

They turn'd afide, like Arrows shot from some deceitful Bow.

58 For him to Fury they provok'd with Altars fet on high;

And with their graven Images inflam'd his jealoufy.

59 When

59 When God heard this, on Ifr'el's Tribes his Wrath and Hatred fell;

60 He quitted Shiloh, and the Tents where once he chose to dwell.

61 To vile Captivity his Ark, his Glory to Disdain,

62 His People to the Sword he gave, nor would his Wrath restrain.

63 Destructive War their ablest Youth untimely did confound;

No Virgin was to th'Altar led, with nuptial Garlands crown'd.

64 In Fight the Sacrificer fell, the Priest a Victim bled;

And Widows who their Death should mourn, themselves of Grief were dead.

65 Then as a Giant rouz'd from Sleep, whom Wine had throughly warm'd,

Shouts out aloud; the Lord awak'd, and his proud Foe alarm'd.

66 He smote their Host, that from the Field a scatter'd Remnant came,

With Wounds imprinted on their Backs of everlasting Shame.

67 With Conquests crown'd he Joseph's Tents, and Ephraim's Tribe forfook;

68 But Judah chose, and Sion's Mount for his lov'd Dwelling took.

69 His Temple he erected there with Spires exalted high:

While deep and fix'd as that of Earth, the strong Foundations lie.

70 His faithful Servant David too, he for his Choice did own,

And from the Sheepfolds him advanc'd to fit on Judab's Throne.

71 From tending on the teeming Ewes, he brought him forth to feed

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His own Inheritance, the Tribes of Ifr'el's chosen Seed.

72 Exalted thus the Monarch prov'd a faithful Shepherd still;

He fed them with an upright Heart, and guided them with Skill.

PSALM LXXIX.

BEhold, O God, our heathen Hofts have thy Possession seiz'd!
Thy facred House they have desil'd, thy holy City raz'd!

2 The mangled Bodies of thy Saints, abroad unbury'd lay;

Their Flesh expos'd to savage Beasts, and rav'nous Birds of Prey.

3 Quite thro' Jerus'lem was their Blood like common Water shed,

And none were left alive to pay last Duties to the Dead.

4 The neighb'ring Lands our small Remains with loud Reproaches wound;

And we a Laughing-stock are made to all the Nations round.

5 How long wilt thou be angry, Lord? must we for ever mourn?

Shall thy devouring jealous Rage, like Fire, for ever burn?

6 On foreign Lands that know not Thee, thy heavy Vengeance show'r;

Those finful Kingdoms let it crush, that have not own'd thy Pow'r.

7 For their devouring Jaws have prey'd on Jacob's chosen Race;

And to a barren Defart turn'd their fruitful Dwelling-place.

8 O think not on our former. Sins, but speedily prevent

The utter Ruin of thy Saints, almost with Sorrow spent.

9 Thou

9 Thou God of our Salvation, help, and free our Souls from Blame;

So shall our Pardon and Defence exalt thy glorious Name.

Where is the God they boast?

In Vengeance for thy flaughter'd Saints, perceive thee to their Cost.

Lord, hear the fighing Pris'ners Moans, thy faving Pow'r extend;

Preserve the Wretches doom'd to die, from that untimely End.

our Suff'rings be repaid;

Make their Confusion seven times more than what on us they laid.

13 So we thy People and thy Flock shall ever praise thy Name;

And with glad Hearts our grateful Thanks from Age to Age proclaim.

PSALM LXXX.

Our Pray'rs to thee vouchsafe to hear;
Thou that dost on the Cherubs ride,
Again in solemn State appear.

2 Behold how Benjamin expects, With Ephraim and Manasseb join'd, In our Deliv'rance, the Effects Of thy resistless Strength to find.

3 Do thou convert us, Lord, do thou The Lustre of thy Face display; And all the Ills we suffer now, Like scatter'd Clouds shall pass away.

How long shall thy fierce Anger burn?
How long thall thy fierce Anger burn?
How long thy suff'ring People pray,
And to their Pray'rs have no Return?

When hungry, we are forc'd to drench Our scanty Food in Floods of Woe;

When

When dry, our raging Thirst we quench With Streams of Tears that largely flow.

As for a common Prey, contest:
Our Foes with spiteful Joy abound,
And at our lost Condition jest.

The Lustre of thy Face display, And all the Ills we suffer now, Like scatter'd Clouds shall pass away.

PART II.

8 Thou brought'st a Vine from Egypt's Land; And casting out the Heathen Race, Didst plant it with thine own Right Hand, And firmly fix'd it in their Place.

9 Before it thou prepar'dst the Way, And mad'st it take a lasting Root, Which, bless'd with thy indulgent Ray, O'er all the Land did widely shoot.

Its goodly Boughs did Cedars feem:
Its Branches to the Sea were spread,
And reach'd to proud Euphrates Stream.

Which thou hadft made fo firm and ftrong?
Whilft all its Grapes, defenceless grown,
Are pluck'd by those that pass along.

With dreadful Fury lays it waste.

Hark how the savage Monsters roar,
And to their helpless Prey make haste.

PART III.

Thy wonted Goodness, Lord, renew:
From Heav'n thy Throne this Vine survey,
And her sad State with Pity view.

Which thy right Hand did guard so long;

And

And keep that Branch from Danger free, Which for thyself thou mad'ft so strong.

And all its spreading Boughs cut down:

At thy Rebuke they soon decay,

And perish at thy dreadful Frown.

By thy right Hand secur'd from Wrong;
The Son of Man in Mercy bless,
Whom for thyself thou mad'st so strong.

18 So shall we still continue free From whatsoe'er deserves thy Blame; And if once more reviv'd by thee, Will always praise thy holy Name.

The Lustre of thy Face display,
And all the Ills we suffer now,
Like scatter'd Clouds shall pass away.

PSALM LXXXI

TO God, our never-failing Strength, with loud Applauses sing:

And jointly make a chearful Noise to Jacob's awful King.

2 Compose a Hymn of Praise, and touch your Instruments of Joy;

Let Psalteries and pleasant Harps your grateful Skill employ.

3 Let Trumpets at the great new Moon their joyful Voices raife,

To celebrate th' appointed Time, the folemn Day of Praise.

4 For this a Statute was of old, which Jacob's God decreed

To be with pious Care observ'd by Isr'el's chosen Seed.

5 This He for a Memorial fix'd when freed from Egypt's Land;

Strange Nations barb'rous Speech we heard, but could not understand, 6 Your 6 Your burden'd Shoulders I reliev'd, (thus feem'd our God to fay)

Your fervile Hands by me were freed from lab'ring in the Clay.

7 Your Ancestors, with Wrongs oppress'd, to me for Aid did call:

With Pity I their Suff'rings faw, and fet them free from all.

They fought for me, and from the Clouds in Thunder I reply'd:

At Meribah's contentious Stream their Faith and Duty try'd.

PART II.

8 While I my folemn Will declare, my chosen People, hear:

If thou, O Isr'el, to my Words wilt lend thy lift'ning Ear;

9 Then shall no God besides myself within thy Coasts be found:

Nor shalt thou worship any God of all the Nations round.

The Lord thy God am I, who thee brought forth from Egypt's Land:

'Tis I that all thy just Defires fupply with lib'ral Hand.

to hearken to my Voice;

Nor would rebellious Ifr'el's Sons make me their happy Choice.

12 So I, provok'd, resign'd them up, to ev'ry Lust a Prey;

And in their own perverse Designs permitted them to stray.

13 O that my People wifely would my just Commandments heed!

And Ifr'el in my righteous Ways with pious Care proceed!

14 Then should my heavy Judgments fall on all that them oppose;

And

And my avenging Hand be turn'd against their num'rous Foes.

Their Enemies and mine should all before my Footstool bend:

But as for them, their happy State shall never know an End.

16 All Parts with Plenty shall abound; with finest Wheat their Field:

The barren Rocks, to please their Taste, should richest Honey yield.

PSALM LXXXII.

GOD in the great Affembly stands, where his impartial Eye In State surveys the earthly Gods, and does their Judgments try.

2, 3 How dare ye then unjustly judge, or be to Sinners kind?

Defend the Orphans, and the Poor: let fuch your Justice find.

4 Protect the humble helpless Man reduc'd to deep Diftress,

And let not him become a Prey to fuch as would oppress.

5 They neither know, nor will they learn, but blindly rove and stray:

Justice and Truth, the World's Support, thro' all the Land decay.

6 Well then might God in Anger fay, "I've call'd ye by my Name:

" I've faid y'are Gods, the Sons and Heirs of my immortal Fame.

7 " But ne ertheless your unjust Deeds

" to strict Account I'll call:

" You all shall die like common Men, ike other Tyrants fall."

8 Arise, and thy just Judgments, Lord, throughout the Earth display;

And all the Nations of the World shall own thy righteous Sway.

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PSALM LXXXIII.

HOLD not thy Peace, O Lord our God; no longer filent be; Nor with confenting quiet Looks

our Ruin calmly see!

2 For lo! the Tumults of thy Foes o'er all the Land are spread;

And they which hate thy Saints and Thee, lift up their threat'ning Head.

3 Against thy zealous People, Lord, they craftily combine;

And to destroy thy chosen Saints have laid their close Design.

4 " Come, let us cut them off, say they, " their Nation quite deface;

"That no Remembrance may remain of Isr'el's hated Race."

5 Thus they against thy People's Peace consult with one Consent;

And diff'ring Nations jointly leagu'd their common Malice vent.

6 The Ishm'elites that dwell in Tents, with warlike Edom join'd;

And Moab's Sons our Ruin vow, with Hagar's Race combin'd.

7 Proud Ammon's Offspring, Gebal too with Amalek conspire:

The Lords of *Palestine*, and all the wealthy Sons of *Tyre*.

8 All these the strong Assyrian King their firm Ally have got;

Who with a pow'rful Army aids th' incestuous Race of Lot.

PART II.

But let fuch Vengeance come to them;
 as once to Midian came;
 To Jabin and proud Sifera,

at Kishon's fatal Stream.

10 When

10 When thy right Hand their num'rous Hosts near Endor did confound,

And left their Carcases for Dung to feed the hungry Ground.

of Zeb and Oreb share:

As Zeba and Zalmunna, fo let all their Princes fare.

12 Who, with the same Design inspir'd, thus vainly boasting spake,

" In firm Possession for ourselves 
let us God's Houses take."

13 To Ruin let them hafte, like Wheels which downward swiftly move:

Like Chaff before the Winds, let all their scatter'd Forces prove.

14, 15 As Flames consume dry Wood, or Heath that on parch'd Mountains grows,

So let thy fierce pursuing Wrath with Terror strike thy Focs.

16, 17 Lord, shroud their Faces with Disgrace, that they may own thy Name:

Or them confound, whose harden'd Hearts thy gentler Means disclaim.

18 So shall the wond'ring World confess that Thou, who claim'st alone

Jehovah's Name o'er all the Earth, hast rais'd thy lofty Throne.

PSALM LXXXIV.

God of Hosts, the mighty Lord, how lovely is the Place,
Where Thou, enthron'd in Glory, shew'st the Brightness of thy Face!

2 My longing Soul faints with Desire, to view thy blest Abode:

My panting Heart and Flesh cry out for Thee the living God.

3 The Birds, more happy far than I, around thy Temple throng;

Securely

Securely there they build, and there fecurely hatch their Young.

4 O Lord of Hosts, my King and God, how highly bless'd are they,

Who in thy Temple always dwell, and there thy Praise display!

5 Thrice happy they, whose Choice has Thee their sure Protection made,

Who long to tread the facred Ways that to thy Dwelling lead!

6 Who pass thro' parch'd and thirsty Vales, yet no Refreshment want:

Their Pools are fill'd with Rain, which Thou at their Request dost grant.

7 Thus they proceed from Strength to Strength, and still approach more near;

'Till all on Sion's holy Mount before their God appear.

8 O Lord, the mighty God of Holts, my just Requests regard!

Thou God of Jacob, let my Pray'r be still with Favour heard:

9 Behold, O God, for Thou alone can'ft timely Aid dispense:

On thy anointed Servant look, be Thou his strong Defence.

10 For in thy Courts one single Day 'tis better to attend,

Than, Lord, in any Place besides a thousand Days to spend.

Much rather in God's House will I the meanest Office take,

Than in the wealthy Tents of Sin my pompous Dwelling make,

x 11 For God, who is our Sun and Shield, will Grace and Glory give;

And no good thing will he with-hold from them that justly live.

Thou

12 Thou God, whom heav'nly Hofts obey, how highly blefs'd is he,
Whofe Hope and Truft, fecurely plac'd, is ftill repos'd on Thee!

PSALM LXXXV.

ORD, thou hast granted to thy Land

And faithful Jacob's captive Race most graciously restor'd.

2, 3 Thy People's Sins thou hast absolv'd, and all their Guilt defac'd:

Thou hast not let thy Wrath slame on, nor thy fierce Anger last.

4 O God our Saviour, all our Hearts to thy Obedience turn;

That quench'd with our repenting Tears, thy Wrath no more may burn.

5, 6 For why should'st thou be angry still, and Wrath so long retain?

Revive us, Lord, and let thy Saints thy wonted Comfort gain.

7 Thy gracious Favour, Lord, display, which we have long implor'd;

And for thy wond'rous Mercy's fake, thy wonted Aid afford.

8 God's Answer patiently I'll wait; for he, with good Success,

(If they no more to Folly turn) his mourning Saints will bless.

9 To all that fear his holy Name, his fure Salvation's near;

And in its former happy State our Nation shall appear.

10 For Mercy now with Truth is join'd, and Righteousness with Peace;

Like kind Companions absent long, with friendly Arms embrace,

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11, 12 Truth

11, 12 Truth from the Earth shall spring, whilst shall Streams of Justice pour; [Heav'n

And God, from whom all Goodness flows, shall endless Plenty show'r.

13 Before him Righteousness shall march, and his just Paths prepare;

Whilst we his holy Steps pursue with constant Zeal and Care.

## PSALM LXXXVI.

To my Complaint, O Lord my God, thy gracious Ear incline;
Hear me, diffres'd and destitute
of all Relief but thine;

2 Do thou, O God, preserve my Soul, that does thy Name adore:

Thy Servant keep, and him, whose Trust relies on Thee, restore.

3 To me who daily Thee invoke, thy Mercy, Lord, extend;

4 Refresh thy Servant's Soul, whose Hopes on Thee alone depend.

5 Thou, Lord, art good, nor only good, but prompt to pardon too:

Of plenteous Mercy to all those who for thy Mercy sue.

6 To my repeated humble Pray'r, O Lord, attentive be;

7 When troubled I on Thee will call, for Thou wilt answer me.

8 Among the Gods there's none like Thee, O Lord, alone divine!

To Thee as much inferior they, as are their Works to thine.

9 Therefore their great Creator Thee, the Nations shall adore;

Their long misguided Pray'rs and Praise to thy bless'd Name restore.

10 All

the Wonders thou hast done;

Confess thee God, thee God supreme, confess thee God alone.

PART II.

from Truth shall ne'er depart;

In Rev'rence to thy facred Name devoutly fix my Heart.

12 Thee will I praise, O Lord my God, praise thee with Heart sincere:

And to thy everlasting Name eternal Trophies rear.

13 Thy boundless Mercy shewn to me, transcends my Power to tell;

For thou hast oft redeem'd my Soul from lowest Depths of Hell.

14 O God, the Sons of Pride and Strife have my Destruction fought,

Regardless of thy Pow'r, that oft has my Deliv'rance wrought:

15 But Thou thy constant Goodness didst to my Assistance bring;

Of Patience, Mercy, and of Truth, thou everlasting Spring!

16 O bounteous Lord, thy Grace and Strength to me thy Servant show;

Thy kind Protection, Lord, on me, thine Handmaid's Son, bestow.

17 Some Signal give, which my proud Foes may fee with Shame and Rage,

When thou, O Lord, for my Relief and Comfort dost engage.

PSALM LXXXVII.

OD's Temple crowns the holy Mount; the Lord there condescends to dwell: 2 His Sion's Gates in his Account, our Isr'el's fairest Tents excel.

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3 Fame

3 Fame glorious Things of Thee shall fing, O City of th'Almighty King!

4 I'll mention Rabab with due Praise, in Babylon's Applauses join,
The Fame of Ethiopia raise,
with that of Tyre and Palestine;
And grant that some, amongst them born,
Their Age and Country did adorn.

5 But still of Sion I'll aver that many such from her proceed;

Th' Almighty shall establish her.

6 His gen'ral List shall shew, when read, That such a Person there was born, And such did such an Age adorn.

7 He'll Sion find with Numbers fill'd of fuch as merit high Renown;

For Hand and Voice Musicians skill'd, and (her transcending Fame to crown) Of such she shall Successions bring Like Waters from a living Spring. PSALM LXXXVIII.

TO Thee, my God and Saviour, I
By Day and Night address my Cry:

2 Vouchsafe my mournful Voice to hear, To my Distress incline thine Ear:

3 For Seas of Trouble me invade, My Soul draws nigh to Death's cold Shade,

4 Like one whose Strength and Hopes are fled, They number me among the Dead:

5 Like those who shrouded in the Grave, From thee no more Remembrance have;

6 Cast off from thy sustaining Care, Down to the Confines of Despair.

7 Thy Wrath has hard upon me lain, Afflicting me with restless Pain: Me all thy Mountain Waves have prest, Too weak, alas, to bear the least.

8 Remov'd from Friends 1 figh alone, In a loath'd Dungeon laid, where none A Visit will vouchsafe to me, Confin'd, past Hopes of Liberty.

9 My Eyes from wreping never cease, They waste, but still my Griefs increase; Yet daily, Lord, to Thee I've pray'd, With out-stretch'd Hand invok'd thy Aid.

The Dead, whom thou forfook'st alive?
From Death restore thy Praise to sing,
Whom thou from Prison would'st not bring?

A mould'ring Tomb thy Faithfulness?

12 Thy Truth and Power Renown obtain, Where Darkness and Oblivion reign?

13 To thee, O Lord, I cry, forlorn; My Pray'r prevents the early Morn.

14 Why hast thou, Lord, my Soul forfook, Nor once vouchsaf'd a gracious Look?

Which from my Youth with me have grown;
Thy Terrors pail distract my Mind,
And Fears of blacker Days behind.

16 Thy Wrath has burst upon my Head, Thy Terrors fill my Soul with Dread;

17 Environ'd as with Waves combin'd, And for a gen'ral Deluge join'd.

18 My Lovers, Friends, Familiars, all Remov'd from Sight, and out of Call; To dark Oblivion all retir'd, Dead, or at least to me expir'd. PSALM LXXXIX.

My Song on them shall ever dwell;
To Ages yet unborn my Tongue
Thy never-failing Truth shall tell.

I have affirm'd and still maintain,
Thy Mercy shall for ever last;
Thy Truth that does the Heav'ns sustain,
Like them shall stand for ever fast.

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- 3 Thus spak'st thou by thy Prophet's Voice,
  - " With David I a League have made;
  - " To him, my Servant, and my Choice,
  - " By folemn Oath this Grant convey'd;
- 4 " While Earth, and Seas, and Skies endure,
  - " Thy Seat shall in my Sight remain;
  - " To them thy Throne I will ensure,
  - " They shall to endless Ages reign."
- 5 For such stupendous Truth and Love, Both Heav'n and Earth just Praises owe, By Choirs of Angels sung above, And by affembled Saints below.
- 6 What Seraph of celeftial Birth
  To vie with Isr'es God shall dare?
  Or who among the Gods of Earth,
  With our Almighty Lord compare?
- 7 With Rev'rence and Religious Dread, His Saints should to his Temple press? His Fear thro' all their Hearts should spread, Who his Almighty Name confess.
- S Lord God of Armies, who can boaft Of Strength or Pow'r, like thine renown'd? Of such a num'rous faithful Host, As that which does thy Throne surround?
  - Thou dost the lawless Sea controul,
    And change the Prospect of the Deep;
    Thou mak'st the sleeping Billows roll,
    Thou mak'st the rolling Billows sleep.
    - And did'st oppressing Pow'r disarm:
      Thy scatter'd Foes have dearly try'd
      The Force of thy resistless Arm.
    - II In Thee the fov'reign Right remains
      Of Earth and Heav'n; Thee, Lord, alone
      The World and all that it contains,
      Their Maker and Preserver own.
    - The Poles on which the Globe does rest, Were form'd by thy creating Voice;

Tabor

Tabor and Hermon, East and West, In thy sustaining Pow'r rejoice.

Yet, Lord, thou doft with Justice reign;

14 Posses'd of absolute Command, Thou Truth and Mercy dost maintain.

Thy facred Trumpet's joyful Sound;
Who may at Festivals appear,
With thy most glorious Presence crown'd.

16 Thy Saints shall always be o'erjoy'd, Who on thy facred Name rely; And, in thy Righteousness employ'd, Above their Foes be rais'd on high.

17 For in thy Strength they shall advance, Whose Conquests from thy Favour spring.

18 The Lord of Hosts is our Defence, And Ifr'el's God our Ifr'el's King.

19 Thus speak'st thou by thy Prophet's Voice,

" A mighty Champion I will fend.

" From Judah's Tribe have I made Choice

" Of one who shall the rest defend.

20 " My Servant David I have found,

"With holy Oil anointed him;

" Him shall the Hand support that crown'd, "And guard that gave the Diadem.

22 " No Prince from him shall Tribute force,

"No Son of Strife shall him annoy;
"His spiteful Foes I will disperse,

" And them before his Face destroy.

24 " My Truth and Grace shall him sustain; "His Armies, in well order'd Ranks,

25 "Shall conquer, from the Tyrian Main "To Tigris and Euphrates' Banks.

26 " Me for his Father he shall take,

" His God and Rock of Safety call;

27 " Him I my first-born Son will make, "And earthly Kings his Subjects all.

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28 " To

PSALM lxxxix. 136 28 " To him my Mercy I'll fecure, " My Cov'nant make for ever fast. 20 "His Seed for ever shall endure, "His Throne, till Heav'n dissolve, shall last. PART III. 30 " But if his Heirs my Law forfake. " And from my facred Precepts stray; 31 " If they my righteous Statutes break, " Nor strictly my Commands obey; 32 " Their Sins I'll visit with a Rod, " And for their Folly make them imart; "Yet will not cease to be their God, " Nor from my Truth, like them, depart. 34 " My Cov'nant I will ne'er revoke, " But in Remembrance fast retain; "The Thing that once my Lips have spoke, " Shall in eternal Force remain. 35 "Once have I fworn, but once for all, " And made my Holiness the Tie, "That I my Grant will ne'er recall, " Nor to my Servant David lye. 36, 37" Whose Throne and Race the constant Sun Shall, like his Course, establish'd see: " Of this my Oath, thou conscious Moon, "In Heav'n a faithful Witness be." 38 Such was thy gracious Promise, Lord, But thou hast now our Tribes forfook, Thy own Anointed haft abhorr'd, And turn'd on him thy wrathful Look. 39 Thou feemest to have render'd void The Cov'nant with thy Servant made, Thou haft his Dignity destroy'd, And in the Dust his Honour laid. 40 Of strong Holds thou hast him berest, And brought his Bulwarks to decay; 41 His frontier Coasts defenceless left, A public Scorn, and common Prey. 42 His Ruin does glad Triumphs yield To Foes advanc'd by Thee to Might;

43

43 Thou hast his conqu'ring Sword unsteel'd, His Valour turn'd to shameful Flight.

44 His Glory is to Darkness sled, His Throne is levell'd with the Ground;

45 His Youth to wretched Bondage led, With Shame o'erwhelm'd and Sorrowdrown'd.

Wilt thou for ever, Lord, retire?

Shall thy confuming Anger burn,

'Till that and we at once expire?

Thou dost for mortal Life ordain;
No Method to prolong the Race,
But loading it with Grief and Pain.

What Man is he that can controul Death's strict unalterable Doom? Or rescue from the Grave his Soul, The Grave that must Mankind entomb?

Lord, where's thy Love, thy boundless Grace, The Oath to which thy Truth did seal, Consign'd to David and his Race, The Grant which Time should ne'er repeal?

50 See how thy Servants treated are With Infamy, Reproach, and Spite; Which in my filent Breast I bear From Nations of licentious Might.

51 How they, reproaching thy great Name, Have made thy Servant's Hope their Jest:

52 Yet thy just Praises we'll proclaim, And ever sing, The Lord be blest.

Amen, Amen.

## PSALM XC.

O Lord, the Saviour and Defence of us thy chosen Race, From Age to Age thou still hast been our fure abiding Place.

2 Before thou brought'st the Mountains forth, or th' Earth and World didst frame,

Thou

Thou always wert the mighty God, and ever art the same:

3 Thou turnest Man, O Lord, to Dust, of which he first was made;

And when thou speak'st the Word, Return, 'tis instantly obey'd.

4 For in thy Sight a thousand Years are like a Day that's past,

Or like a Watch in Dead of Night, whole Hours unminded waste.

5 Thou sweep'st us off as with a Flood, we vanish hence like Dreams;

At first we grow like Grass that feels the Sun's reviving Beams:

6 But howsoever fresh and fair its Morning Beauty shows;

'Tis all cut down and wither'd quite before the Ev'ning close.

7, 8 We by thine Anger are confum'd, and by thy Wrath difmay'd;

Our publick Crimes and fecret Sins before thy Sight are laid.

9 Beneath thy Anger's fad Effects our drooping Days we fpend;

Our unregarded Years break off, like Tales that quickly end.

an Age that few furvive:

But if, with more than common Strength, to Eighty we arrive;

Yet then our boasted Strength decays, to Sorrow turn'd and Pain:

So foon the slender Thread is cut, and we no more remain.

## PART II.

does, as he ought, revere?

And yet thy Wrath does fall or rife, as more or less we fear.

of our short Days to mind,

That to true Wisdom all our Hearts may ever be inclin'd.

13 O to thy Servants, Lord, return, and speedily relent!

As we of our Misdeeds, do thou of our just Doom repent.

14 To fatisfy and chear our Souls, thy early Mercy fend;

That we may all our Days to come, in Joy and Comfort spend.

15 Let happy Times with large Amends dry up our former Tears,

Or equal at the least the Term of our afflicted Years.

16 To all thy Servants, Lord, let this thy wond'rous Work be known,

And to our Off pring yet unborn, thy glorious Pow'r be shown.

17 Let thy oright Rays upon us shine, give thou our Work Success;

The glorious Work we have in hand do thou vouchfate to blefs.

PSALM XCI.

HE that has God his Guardian made, Shall, under the Almighty's Shade, fecure and undiffurb'd abide.

2 Thus to my Soul, of him I'll fay, He is my Fortress and my Stay, my God in whom I will confide.

3 His tender Love and watchful Care Shall free thee from the Fowler's Snare, and from the noisome Pestilence:

And cover thee his Wings shall spread, And cover thy unguarded Head; his Truth shall be thy strong Defence.

5 No

5 No Terrors that furprise by Night, Shall thy undaunted Courage fright, nor deadly Shafts that fly by Day;

6 Nor Plague, of unknown Rife, that kills In Darkness, nor infectious Ills that in the hottest Season slay.

7 A thousand at thy Side shall die, At thy right Hand ten thousand lie, while thy firm Hand untouch'd remains:

8 Thou only shalt look on and see, The Wicked's 1ad Catastrophe, and count the Sinner's mournful Gains.

9 Because (with well-plac'd Considence)
Thou mak'st the Lord thy sure Desence,
and on the Highest dost rely;

Nor to thy healthful Dwelling shall any infectious Plague draw nigh.

To keep thee fafe in all thy Ways, fhall give his Angels strict Commands;

With some rough Stone to wound thy Feet, shall bear thee safely in their Hands.

And Lions roaring for their Food, beneath his conqu'ring Feet shall lie.

14 Because he lov'd and honour'd me, Therefore, says God, I'll seet him free, and fix his glorious Throne on high.

And rescue him when Ill befals; increase his Honour and his Wealth:

16 And when, with undisturb'd Content,
His long and happy Life is spent,
his End I'll crown with saving Health.
PSALM XCII.

HOW good and pleasant must it be to thank the Lord most high;

And

And with repeated Hymns of Praise, his Name to magnify.

2 With ev'ry Morning's early Dawn, his Goodness to relate;

And of his constant Truth, each Night the glad Effects repeat.

3 To ten-string'd Instruments we'll sing, with tuneful Psalt'ries join'd;

And to the Harp, with folemn Sounds, for facred Use design'd.

4 For thro' thy wond'rous Works, O Lord, thou mak'ft my Heart rejoice;

The Thoughts of them shall make me glad, and shout with chearful Voice.

5, 6 How wond'rous are thy Works, O Lord! how deep are thy Decrees!

Whose winding Tracks, in secret laid, no stupid Sinner sees.

7 He little thinks, when wicked Men, like Grass, look fresh and gay;

How foon their short-liv'd Splendor must for ever pass away.

8, 9 But thou, my God, art still most High; and all thy lofty Foes,

Who thought they might securely sin, shall be o'erwhelm'd with Woes.

10 Whilst thou exalt'st my fov'reign Pow'r, and mak'st it largely spread;

And with refreshing Oil anoint'st my consecrated Head.

11 I foon shall see my stubborn Foes to utter Ruin brought;

And hear the difmal End of those who have against me fought.

But righteous Men, like fruitful Palms, shall make a glorious Show;

As Cedars that on Lebanon, in stately Order grow.

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13, 14 These, planted in the House of God, within his Courts shall thrive;

Their Vigour and their Lustre both shall in old Age revive.

and God, my strong Defence,
Shall due Rewards to all the World

impartially dispense.

PSALM XCIII.

WITH Glory clad, with Strength array'd, the Lord, that o'er all Nature reigns, The World's Foundations strongly laid, and the vast Fabrick still sustains.

2 How furely 'stablish'd is thy Throne! which shall no Change or Period see;

For thou, O Lord, and thou alone, art God from all Eternity.

3, 4 The Floods, O Lord, lift up their Voice, and toss the troubled Waves on high;

But God above can still their Noise, and make the angry Sea comply.

5 Thy Promise, Lord, is ever sure, and they that in thy House would dwell,

That happy Station to secure, must still in Holiness excel.

PSALM XCIV.

God, to whom Vengeance belongs, thy Justice now disclose:

Arise, thou Judge of all the Earth, and crush thy haughty Foes.

3, 4 How long, O Lord, shall finful Men their solemn Triumphs make?

How long their wicked Actions boaft, and infolently speak?

6, 6 Not only they thy Saints oppress, but, unprovok'd, they spill

The Widow's and the Stranger's Blood, and helples Orphans kill. 7 " And

7 "And yet the Lord shall ne'er perceive, (prophanely thus they speak)

"Nor any Notice of our Deeds the God of Jacob take."

8 At length, ye stupid Fools, your Wants endeavour to discern;

In Folly will you still proceed, and Wisdom never learn?

9, 10 Can he be deaf who form'd the Ear? or blind who fram'd the Eye?

Shall Earth's great Judge not punish those, who his known Will defy?

11 He fathoms all the Thoughts of Men, to him their Hearts lie bare;

His Eyes survey them all, and sees how vain their Counsels are.

## PART II.

12 Bless'd is the Man whom thou, O Lord, in Kindness dost chastise,

And by thy facred Rules to walk dost lovingly advise.

13 This Man shall Rest and Safety find in Seasons of Distress:

Whilft God prepares a Pit for those that stubbornly transgress.

14 For God will never from his Saints his Favour wholly take:

His own Possession and his Lot, he will not quite forsake.

15 The World shall then confess Thee just in all that thou hast done;

And those that chuse thy upright Ways, shall in those Paths go on.

16 Who will appear in my Behalf, (when wicked Men invade)

Or who, when Sinners would oppress, my righteous Cause shall plead?

17, 18, 19 Long fince had I in Silence slept, but that the Lord was near, To ftay me when I flipt; when fad my troubled Heart to chear.

20 Wilt thou, who art a God most just, their sinful Throne sustain,

Who make the Law a fair Pretence their wicked Ends to gain?

21 Against the Lives of righteous Men they form their close Design;

The Blood of Innocents to spill, in solemn League combine.

22 But my Defence is firmly plac'd in God the Lord most High:

He is my Rock, to which I may for Refuge always fly.

23 The Lord shall cause their ill Designs, on their own Heads to fall:

He in their Sins shall cut them off, Our God shall slay them all.

PSALM XCV.

Come, loud Anthems let us fing, Loud Thanks to our Almighty King: For we our Voices high should raise, When our Salvation's Rock we praise.

2 Into his Presence let us haste, To thank him for his Favours past; To him address, in joyful Songs, The Praise that to his Name belongs.

3 For God the Lord, enthron'd in State, Is with unrival'd Glory, great:
A King superior far to all,
Whom by his Title God we call.

4 The Depths of Earth are in his Hand, Her secret Wealth at his Command; The Strength of Hills that threat the Skies, Subjected to his Empire lies.

The rolling Ocean's vast Abyss
By the same Sovereign Right is his:
'Tis mov'd by his Almighty Hand,
That form'd and fix'd the solid Land.

6 O let us to his Courts repair, And bow with Adoration there: Down on our Knees devoutly all Before the Lord our Maker fall.

7 For he's our God, our Shepherd he, His Flock and Pasture Sheep are we. If then you'll (like his Flock) draw near, To Day if you his Voice will hear,

8 Let not your harden'd Hearts renew Your Fathers Crimes and Judgments too; Nor here provoke my Wrath as they In desert Plains of Meribab,

When through the Wilderness they mov'd, And me with fresh Temptations prov'd: They still, thro' Unbelief, rebell'd, While they my wond'rous Works beheld.

They Forty Years my Patience griev'd,
Tho' daily I their Wants reliev'd.
Then—'Tis a faithless Race, I said,
Whose Heart from me has always stray'd;
They ne'er will tread my righteous Path;
Therefore to them, in settled Wrath,
Since they despise my Rest, I sware,
That they should never enter there.
P S A L M XCVI.

SING to the Lord a new-made Song; Let Earth in one affembled Throng,

Her common Patron's Praise resound.

2 Sing to the Lord, and bless his Name,

From Day to Day his Peace proclaim,
Who us has with Salvation crown'd.

3 To heathen Lands his Fame rehearse, His Wonders to the Universe.

4 He's great, and greatly to be prais'd; In Majesty and Glory rais'd Above all other Deities.

For Pageantry and Idols all
Are they whom Gods the Heathen call:
He only rules who made the Skies.

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6 With Majesty and Honour crown'd Beauty and Strength his Throne surround;

7 Be therefore both to him reftor'd By you who have false Gods ador'd, Ascribe due Honour to his Name;

8 Peace-Off'rings on his Altar lay, Before his Throne your Homage pay, Which he, and he alone can claim.

9 To worship at his sacred Court, Let all the trembling World resort.

Proclaim aloud, Jehovah reigns, Whose Power the Universe sustains, And banish'd Justice will restore.

And heav'nly Mirth let Earth express,
Its loud Applause the Ocean roar;
Its mute Inhabitants rejoice,
And for this Triumph find a Voice.

The chearful Groves their Tribute bring;
The tuneful Choir of Birds awake,

Who now fets out with awful State,

His Circuit through the Earth to take.

From Heav'n to judge the World he's come,

With Juffice to reward and doom.

PSALM XCVII.

I Ehovah reigns, let all the Earth In his just Government rejoice; Let all the Isles with facred Mirth, In his Applause unite their Voice.

2 Darkness and Clouds of awful Shade, His dazling Glory shroud in State; Justice and Truth his Guards are made, And fix'd by his Pavilion wait.

3 Devouring Fire before his Face His Foes around with Vengeance struck;

4 His Lightnings fet the World on blaze, Each faw it, and with Terror shook. Their Height nor Strength could Help afford,
The proudest Hills like Wax did melt
In Presence of th' Almighty Lord.

6 The Heav'ns his Righteousness to show, With Storms of Fire or Foes pursu'd, And all the trembling World below Have his descending Glory view'd.

7 Confounded be their impious Host, Who make the Gods to whom they pray; All who of Pageant Idols boast, To him, ye Gods, your Worship pay.

8 Glad Sion of thy Triumph heard, And Judab's Daughters were o'erjoy'd; Because thy righteous Judgments, Lord, Have Pagan Pride and Pow'r destroy'd.

o For thou, O God, art seated high, Above Earth's Potentates enthron'd: Thou, Lord, unrivall'd in the Sky, Supreme by all the Gods art own'd.

Abhor what's Ill, and Truth esteem:
He'll keep his Servants Souls entire,
And them from wicked Hands redeem.

A future Harvest for the Just; And Gladness for the Heart that's right, To recompence its pious Trust.

12 Rejoice, ye Righteous, in the Lord;
Memorials of his Holiness,
Deep in your faithful Breasts record,
And with your thankful Tongues confess.
PSALM XCVIII.

SING to the Lord a new-made Song, who wond'rous Things has done; With his right Hand and holy Arm, the Conquest he has won.

2 The Lord has thro' th' aftonish'd World display'd his saving Might,

And

And made his righteous Acts appear in all the Heathens Sight.

3 Of Ifr'el's House his Love and Truth have ever mindful been;

Wide Earth's remotest Parts the Pow'r of Isr'el's God have seen.

4 Let therefore Earth's Inhabitants their chearful Voices raise,

And all with universal Joy resound their Maker's Praise.

5 With Harp and Hymns foft Melody into the Confort bring

6 The Trumpet and shrill Cornet's Sound, before th' Almighty King.

7 Let the loud Ocean roar her Joy, with all that Seas contain:

The Earth and her Inhabitants ioin Confort with the Main.

8 With Joy let Riv'lets swell to Streams, to spreading Torrents they;

And ecchoing Vales from Hill to Hill, redoubled Shouts convey;

9 To welcome down the World's great Judge, who does with Justice come,

And, with impartial Equity, both to Reward and Doom.

# PSALM XCIX.

J Ehovah reigns, let therefore all the guilty Nations quake:

On Cherubs Wings he sits enthron'd, let Earth's Foundations shake.

2 On Sion's Hill he keeps his Court, his Palace makes her Tow'rs;

Yet thence his Sov'reignty extends fupreme o'er earthly Pow'rs.

3 Let therefore all with Praise address his great and dreadful Name,

And with his unrefisted Might his Holiness proclaim.

4 For Truth and Justice, in his Reign of Strength and Pow'r, take Place;

His Judgments are with Righteousness dispens'd to Jacob's Race,

5 Therefore exalt the Lord our God, before his Footstool fall;

And with his unrefisted Might, His Holiness extol.

6 Moses and Aaron thus of old, among his Prietts ador'd;

Amongst his Prophets Samuel thus his facred Name implor'd,

Distress'd, upon the Lord they call'd, who ne'er their Suit deny'd;

But, as with Rev'rence they implor'd, he graciously reply'd.

7 For, with their Camp to guide their March the cloudy Pillar mov'd:

They kept his Laws, and to his Will obedient Servants prov'd.

8 He answer'd them, forgiving oft his People for their take;

And those who rashly them oppos'd, did sad Examples make.

9 With Worship at his facred Courts exalt our God and Lord;

For he who only holy is, alone should be ador'd.

## PSALM C.

1, 2 WITH one Confent let all the Earth to God their chearful Voices raise,

Glad Homage pay with awful Mirth, and fing before him Songs of Praise.

3 Convinc'd that he is God alone, from whom both we and all proceed;

We, whom he chuses for his own, the Flock that he vouchsafes to feed.

4 O enter then his Temple Gate, thence to his Courts devoutly press,

And

And still your grateful Hymns repeat, And still his Name with Praises bless.

5 For he's the Lord supremely good, his Mercy is for ever sure;

His Truth which always firmly flood, to endless Ages shall endure.

PSALM CI.

OF Mercy's never-failing Spring,
And stedfast Judgment I will sing;
And since they both to Thee belong,
To Thee, O Lord, address my Song.

When, Lord, thou shalt with me reside, Wise Discipline my Reign shall guide; With blameless Life myself I'll make A Pattern for my Court to take.

No ill Design will I pursue, Nor those my Fav'rites make that do.

4 Who to Reproof has no Regard, Him will I totally discard.

In public Justice doom'd by me: From haughty Looks I'll turn aside, And mortify the Heart of Pride.

6 But Honesty, call'd from her Cell, In Splendor at my Court shall dwell: Who Virtue's Practice make their Care, Shall have the first Preferments there.

7 No Politicks shall recommend His Country's Foe to be my Friend: None e'er shall to my Favour rise By flatt'ring or malicious Lies.

8 All those who wicked Courses take, An early Sacrifice I'll make; Cut off, destroy, till none remain God's holy City to prophane.

PSALM CII.

WHEN I pour out my Soul in Pray'r, do thou, O Lord, attend,

To thy eternal Throne of Grace let my fad Cry ascend.

2 O hide not thou thy glorious Face in Times of deep Diftress:

Incline thine Ear, and when I call, my Sorrows foon redrefs.

3 Each cloudy Portion of my Life like scatter'd Smoke expires;

My shrivel'd Bones are like a Hearth that's parch'd with constant Fires.

4 My Heart, like Grass that feels the Blast of some infectious Wind,

Does languish so with Grief, that scarce my needful Food I mind.

5 By reason of my sad Estate
I spend my Breath in Groans:

My Flesh is worn away, my Skin scarce hides my starting Bones.

6 I'm like a Pelican become, that does in Defarts mourn:

Or like an Owl that fits all Day on barren Trees forlorn.

7 In Watchings or in reftless Dreams the Night by me is spent,

As by those solitary Birds that lonesome Roofs frequent.

8 All Day by railing Foes I'm made the Subject of their Scorn;

Who all posses'd with furious Rage, have my Destruction sworn.

9 When grov'ling on the Ground I lie, oppress'd with Grief and Fears,

My Bread is strew'd with Ashes o'er, my Drink is mix'd with Tears.

10 Because on me with double Weight thy heavy Wrath doth lie:

For Thou, to make my Fall more great, didst lift me up on high.

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11 My

are like an Ev'ning Shade:

My Beauty does, like wither'd Grass, with wanting Lustre fade.

no Length of Time shall waste:

The Mem'ry of thy wond'rous Works from Age to Age shall last.

13 Thou shalt arise, and Sion view with an unclouded Face:

For now her Time is come, thy own appointed Day of Grace.

14 Her scatter'd Ruins by thy Saints with Pity are survey'd:

They grieve to see her lofty Spires in Dust and Rubbish laid.

15, 16 The Name and Glory of the Lord all Heethen Kings shall fear;

When he shall Sion build again, and in full State appear.

17, 18 When he regards the Poor's Request, nor slights their earnest Pray'r;

Our Sons for this recorded Grace, shall his just Praise declare.

19 For God from his Abode on high, his gracious Beams display'd:

The Lord from Heav'n, his lofty Throne, hath all the Earth furvey'd.

20 He lift'ned to the Captives Moans, He heard their mournful Cry,

And freed, by his resistles Pow'r, the Wretches doom'd to die.

21 That they, in Sion, where he dwells, might celebrate his Fame,

And thro' the holy City fing loud Praises to his Name.

22 When all the Tribes affembling there, their folemn Vows address,

And

And neighb'ring Lands, with glad Consent, the Lord their God confess.

23 But e'er my Race is run, my Strength thro' his fierce Wrath decays;

He has, when all my Wishes bloom'd, cut short my hopeful Days.

24 Lord, end not thou my Life, faid I, when half is scarcely past:

Thy Years from worldly Changes free, to endless Ages last.

25 The strong Foundations of the Earth of old by Thee were laid;

Thy Hands the beauteous Arch of Heav'n with wond'rous Skill have made:

26, 27 Whilst thou for ever shalt endure, they soon shall pass away;

And like a Garment often worn, fhall tarnish and decay.

Like that, when thou ordain's their Change, to thy Command they bend:

But thou continu'st still the same, nor have thy Years an End.

28 Thou to the Children of thy Saints fhall lasting Quiet give;

Whose happy Race, securely fix'd, shall in thy Presence live.

PSALM CIII.

In 2 Y Soul, inspir'd with facred Love, God's holy Name for ever blefs; Of all his Favours mindful prove, And still thy grateful Thanks express.

3, 4 'Tis he that all thy Sins forgives,
And after Sickness makes thee found:
From Danger he thy Life retrieves,
By him with Grace and Mercy crown'd.

5, 6 He with good Things thy Mouth supplies, Tay Vigor, Eagle-like renews:

He, when the guiltless Suffrer cries, His Fo. ith just Revenge pursues.

7 God

Y God made of old his righteous Ways
To Moses and our Fathers known;
His Works to his eternal Praise,
Were to the Sons of Jacob shown.

And unexampled Acts of Grace:
His waken'd Wrath doth flowly move,
His willing Mercy flies apace.

9, 10 God will not always harshly chide, But with his Anger quickly part; And loves his Punishments to guide, More by his Love than our Desert.

Above this little Spot of Clay;
So much his boundless Love transcends
The small Respects that we can pay.

So far has he our Sins remov'd,
Who with a Father's tender Breast
Has such as fear him always lov'd.

14, 15 For God, who all our Frame surveys,
Considers that we are but Clay:
How fresh soe'er we seem, our Days
Like Grass or Flow'rs must fade away:

Nor can we find their former Place; God's faithful Mercy ever lasts, To those that fear him, and their Race.

18 This shall attend on such as still Proceed in his appointed Way; And who not only know his Will, But to it just Obedience pay.

In Heav'n has fix'd his lofty Throne:
To him, ye Angels, Praises sing,
In whose great Strength his Pow'r is shown.
Ye that his just Commands obey,
And hear and do his sacred Will:

- 21 Ye Hosts of his this Tribute pay, Who still what he ordains fulfil.
- 22 Let ev'ry Creature jointly bless
  The mighty Lord: And thou, my Heart,
  With grateful Joy thy Thanks express,
  And in this Confort bear thy Part.
  P S A L M CIV.

BLESS God, my Soul; thou, Lord, alone Poffeffest Empire without Bounds, With Honour thou art crown'd, thy Throne Eternal Majesty surrounds.

2 With Light thou dost thyself enrobe, And Glory for a Garment take; Heav'ns Curtains stretch'd beyond the Globe, Thy Canopy of State to make.

God builds on liquid Air, and forms
His Palace Chambers in the Skies;
The Clouds his Chariots are, and Storms
The swift-wing'd Steeds with which he flies.

As bright as Flame, as swift as Wind, His Ministers Heav'n's Palace fill, To have their sundry Tasks assign'd; All proud to serve their Sov'reign's Will.

5, 6 Earth on her Centre fix'd, he set, Her Face with Waters overspread; Nor proudest Mountains dar'd as yet, To lift above the Waves their Head.

7 But when thy awful Face appear'd, Th' infulting Waves dispers'd; they fled, When once thy Thunder's Voice they heard, And by their Haste confess'd their Dread.

8 Thence up by fecret Tracks they creep, And gushing from the Mountain's Side, Thro' Vallies travel to the Deep, Appointed to receive their Tide.

There hast thou fix'd the Ocean's Bounds, The threat'ning Surges to repell; That they no more o'erpass their Mounds, Nor to a second Deluge swell.

PART

### PART II.

The Sea recovers her lost Hills;
And starting Springs from ev'ry Lawn,
Surprize the Vales with plenteous Rills.

Weary with Labour, faint with Drought;
And Affes on wild Mountains bred,
Have Sense to find these Currents out.

Yields Shelter to the feather'd Throng;
They drink, and to the bounteous Streams
Return the Tribute of their Song.

That foon transmit the liquid Store;
'Till Earth is burden'd with her Fruit,
And Nature's Lap can hold no more.

He makes the Growth of ev'ry Field;
Herbs, for Man's Use, of various Pow'r,
That either Food or Physic yield,

To chear Man's Heart oppress'd with Cares; Gives Oil that makes his Face to shine, And Corn that wasted Strength repairs.

PART III.

Or Art of Man, with Sap are fed; The Mountain Cedar looks as fair, As those in Royal Gardens bred.

The Wand'rers of the Air may rest;
The hospitable Pine from Harms
Protects the Stork, her pious Guest.

18 Wild Goats the craggy Rock ascend,
Its tow'ring Heights their Fortress make,
Whose Cells in Labyrinths extend,
Where seebler Creatures Refuge take.

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The Moon's inconstant Aspect shows Th' appointed Seasons of the Year; Th' instructed Sun his Duty knows, His Hours to rise and disappear.

20, 21 Darkness he makes the Earth to shroud, When Forest Beasts securely stray; Young Lions roar their Wants aloud To Providence, that sends 'em Prey.

Till fummon'd by the rifing Morn,
To skulk in Dens with one Consent,
The constant Ravagers return.

The Husbandman securely goes, Commencing with the Sun his Toil, With him returns to his Repose.

For which thy Wisdom we adore!
The Earth is with thy Treasure crown'd,
'Till Nature's Hand can grasp no more.

PART IV.

Of Wonders a new Scene supplies, Whose Depths Inhabitants contain, Of ev'ry Form and ev'ry Size.

26 Full freighted Ships from ev'ry Port,
There cut their unmolested Way;
Leviathan, whom there to sport
Thou mad'st, has Compass there to play.

In Sense of common Want agree:
All wait on thy dispensing Hand,
And have their daily Alms from thee.

28 They gather what thy Stores disperse, Without their Trouble to provide: Thou op'st thy Hand, the Universe, The craving World is all supply'd. Thou for a Moment hid'st thy Face,
The num'rous Ranks of Creatures mourn:
Thou tak'st their Breath, all Nature's Race
Forthwith to Mother Earth return.

30 Again thou fend'st thy Spirit forth, T' inspire the Mass with vital Seed; Nature's restor'd, and Parent Earth Smiles on her new-created Breed.

31 Thus thro' successive Ages stands
Firm fix'd thy providential Care;
Pleas'd with the Work of thy own Hands,
Thou dost the Wastes of Time repair.

One Look of thine, one wrathful Look, Earth's panting Breast with Terror fills; One Touch from Thee, with Clouds of Smoak In Darkness shrouds the proudest Hills.

33 In praising God, while he prolongs My Breath, I will that Breath employ;

34 And join Devotion to my Songs, Sincere, as in him is my Joy:

35 While Sinners from Earth's Face are hurl'd, My Soul, praise thou his holy Name, 'Till with my Song the list'ning World Join Consort, and his Praise proclaim.

PSALM CV.

Render Thanks, and bless the Lord; invoke his facred Name;
Acquaint the Nations with his Deeds, his matchless Deeds proclaim:

2 Sing to his Praise, in lofty Hymns his wond'rous Works rehearse;

Make them the Theme of your Discourse, and Subject of your Verse.

3 Rejoice in his Almighty Name, alone to be ador'd;

And let their Hearts o'erflow with Joy, that humbly feek the Lord.

4 Seek ye the Lord, his faving Strength devoutly still implore;

And where he's ever prefent, feek his Face for evermore.

5 The Wonders that his Hands have wrought, keep thankfully in Mind;

The righteous Statutes of his Mouth, and Laws to us affign'd.

6 Know ye his Servant Abr'am's Seed, and Jacob's chosen Race,

7 He's still our God, his Judgments still throughout the Earth take Place.

8 His Cov'nant he hath kept in Mind for num'rous Ages past,

Which yet for Thousand Ages more, in equal Force shall last.

9 First sign'd to Abr'am, next by Oath, to Isaac made secure;

10 To facob and his Heirs a Law for ever to endure:

11 That Canaan's Land should be their Lot, when yet but few they were:

12 But few in Number, and those few all friendless Strangers there.

13 In Pilgrimage, from Realm to Realm, fecurely they remov'd;

14 Whilst proudest Monarchs, for their sakes, severely he reprov'd:

" These mine Anointed are, said he, let none my Servants wrong,

" Nor treat the poorest Prophet ill 
that does to me belong."

16 A Dearth at last, by his Command, did through the Land prevail;

'Till Corn, the chief Support of Life, fustaining Corn, did fail.

17 But his indulgent Providence had pious Joseph sent,

Sold into Egypt, but their Death who fold him to prevent.

18 His Feet with heavy Chains were crush'd, with Calumny his Fame;

19 'Till God's appointed Time and Word

to his Deliv'rance came.

20 The King his Sov'reign Order fent, and rescu'd him with Speed;

Whom private Malice had confin'd, the People's Ruler freed.

21 His Court, Revenues, Realms, were all fubjected to his Will;

22 His greatest Princes to controul, and teach his Statesmen Skill,

PART II.

23 To Egypt then, invited Guests, half-famish'd Isr'el came;

And Jacob held, by Royal Grant, the fertile Soil of Ham.

24 Th' Almighty there with fuch Increase his People multiply'd,

'Till with their proud Oppressors they in Strength and Number vy'd.

25 Their vast Increase th' Egyptian Hearts with jealous Anger fir'd,

Till they his Servants to destroy by treach'rous Arts conspir'd.

26 His Servant Moses then he sent, his chosen Aaron too;

27 Empower'd with Signs and Miracles to prove their Mission true.

28 He call'd for Darkness, Darkness came, Nature his Summons knew;

29 Each Stream and Lake, transform'd to Blood, the wand'ring Fishes slew.

30 In putrid Floods, throughout the Land, the Pest of Frogs was bred;

From noisome Fens sent up to croak at Pheroah's Board and Bea.

31 He gave the Sign, and Swarms of Flies came down in cloudy Hosts,

Whilft

Whilft Earth's enliven'd Dust below bred Lice through all their Coasts.

32 He fent them batt'ring Hail for Rain, and Fire for cooling Dew.

33 He smote their Vines, and Forest Plants, and Garden's Pride o'erthrew.

34 He spake the Word, the Locusts came, and Catterpillars join'd;
They prey'd upon the poor Remains

the Storm had left behind.

no verdant Thing they fpare;
But, like the naked fallow Field,
leave all the Paftures bare.

ommission'd Vengeance slew;
One fatal Stroke their eldest Hopes
and Strength of Egypt slew.

37 He brought his Servants forth, enrich'd with Egypt's borrow'd Wealth;
And, what transcends all Treasure else, enrich'd with vig'rous Health.

Begypt rejoic'd, in hopes to find her Plagues with them remov'd;
Taught dearly now to fear worse Ills by those already prov'd.

39 Their shrouding Canopy by Day a journeying Cloud was spread:

A fiery Pillar all the Night their defart Marches led.

40 They long'd for Flesh; with Ev'ning Quails
he furnish'd ev'ry Tent:

From Heaven's own Granary, each Morn, the Bread of Angels fent.

41 He fmote the Rock, whose flinty Breast pour'd forth a gushing Tide;

Whose flowing Stream, where'er they march'd, The Desart's Drought supply'd.

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42 For still he did on Abr'am's Faith and antient League resect:

43 He brought his People forth with Joy, with Triumph his Elect.

from Canaan's fertile Soil,
To them in cheap Possession gave
the Fruit of others Toil:

45 That they his Statutes might observe, his facred Laws obey.

For Benefits so vast, let us our Songs of Praise repay.

PSALM CVI.

Render Thanks to God above,
The Fountain of eternal Love;
Whose Mercy firm through Ages past
Has stood, and shall for ever last.

Who can his mighty Deeds express, Not only vast, but numberless? What mortal Eloquence can raise His Tribute of immortal Praise?

3 Happy are they, and only they, Who from thy Judgments never stray: Who know what's right; nor only so, But always practise what they know.

4 Extend to me that Favour, Lord,
Thou to thy Chosen dost afford:
When thou return'st to set them free,
Let thy Salvation visit me.

Thy Saints in full Prosperity;
That I the joyful Choir may join,
And count thy People's Triumph mine.

6 But ah! can we expect fuch Grace,
Of Parents vile, the viler Race:
Who their Misdeeds have acted o'er,
And with new Crimes increas'd the Score?

7 Ingrateful, they no longer thought On all his Works in Egypt wrought;

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The Red Sea they no fooner view'd, But they their base Distrust renew'd.

8 Yet he, to vindicate his Name,
Once more to their Deliv'rance came,
To make his fov'reign Pow'r be known,
That he is God, and he alone.

To Right and Left, at his Command, The parting Deep disclos'd her Sand; Where firm and dry the Passage lay, As through some parch'd and desart Way.

Thus rescu'd from their Foesthey were, Who closely press'd upon their Rear,

That prov'd the rash Pursuers Graves.

O'erwhelm'd proud Pharaoh, Host and all.
This Proof did stupid Isr'el move
To own God's Truth, and praise his Love.

### PART II.

13 But foon these Wonders they forgot, And for his Counsel waited not;

14 But lufting in the Wilderness,
Did him with fresh Temptations press.

15 Strong Food at their Request he sent, But made their Sin their Punishment.

16 Yet still his Saints they did oppose, The Priest and Prophet whom he chose.

Her vengeful Jaws extended wide, Rash Dathan to her Centre drew, With proud Abiram's factious Crew.

18 The rest of those who did conspire To kindle wild Sedition's Fire, With all their impious Train, became A Prey to Heav'n's devouring Flame.

19 Near Horeb's Mount, a Calf they made, And to the molten Image pray'd;

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20 Adoring what their Hands did frame, They chang'd their Glory to their Shame.

21 Their God and Saviour they forgot, And all his Works in Egypt wrought;

22 His Signs in Ham's aftonish'd Coast, And where proud Pharach's Troops were lost.

23 Thus urg'd, his vengeful Hand he rear'd, But Moses in the Breach appear'd; The Saint did for the Rebels pray, And turn'd Heav'n's kindled Wrath away.

24, 25 Yet they his pleasant Land despis'd, Nor his repeated Promise priz'd, Nor did th' Almighty's Voice obey; But when God said, Go up, would stay.

26, 27 This seal'd their Doom, without Redress
To perish in the Wilderness.
Or else to be by Heathens Hands
O'erthrown, and scatter'd thro' the Lands.

PART III.

28 Yet unreclaim'd, this stubborn Race Baal Peor's Worship did embrace Became his impious Guests, and fed On Sacrifices to the Dead.

Thus they perfifted to provoke
God's Vengeance to the final Stroke.
'Tis come:——the deadly Pest is come
To execute their gen'ral Doom.

30 But Phineas fir'd with holy Rage
(Th' Almighty Vengeance to affuage)
Did, by Two bold Offenders Fall,
Th' Atonement make that ranfom'd All.

31 As him a heav'nly Zeal had mov'd, So Heav'n the zealous Act approv'd; To him confirming, and his Race, The Priesthood he so well did grace.

32 At Meribah God's Wrath they mov'd, Who Moses for their Sakes reprov'd;

Whose patient Soul they did provoke, 'Till rathly the meek Prophet spoke.

34 Nor when posses'd of Canaan's Land, Did they perform their Lord's Command, Nor his commission'd Sword employ The guilty Nations to destroy.

35 Not only fpar'd the Pagan Crew, But mingling learnt their Voices too;

36 And Worship to those Idols paid, Which them to fatal Snares betray'd.

37, 38 To Devils they did facrifice
Their Children with relentless Eyes;
Approach'd their Altars thro' a Flood
Of their own Sons and Daughters Blood:
No cheaper Victims would appease
Canaan's remorfeless Deities;
No Blood her Idols reconcile,
But that which did the Land defile.

#### PART IV.

39 Nor did these savage Cruelties
The harden'd Reprobates suffice;
For after their Hearts Lusts they went,
And daily did new Crimes invent.

God's Wrath against his People drew,
'Till he, their once indulgent Lord,
His own Inheritance abhorr'd.

To their infulting Heathen Foes;
And made them on the Triumphs wait
Of those who bore them greatest Hate.

Their List of Tyrants he increas'd,
'Till they, who God's mild Sway declin'd,
Were made the Vassals of Mankind.

43 Yet, when diffres'd, they did repent,
His Anger did as oft relent:
But freed, they did his Wrath provoke,
Renew'd their Sins, and he their Yoke.

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Nor heard their wretched Cries unmov'd;

45 But did to Mind his Promise bring, And Mercy's inexhausted Spring.

46 Compassion too he did impart, Ev'n to their Foes obdurate Heart, And Pity for their Suff'rings bred In those who them to Bondage led.

Together bring from Heathen Lands; So to thy Name our Thanks we raife, And ever triumph in thy Praife.

48 Let Ifrael's God be ever bless'd,
His Name eternally confess'd:
Let all his Saints with full Accord
Sing loud Amen——Praise ye the Lord.

#### PSALM CVII.

TO God your grateful Voices raise,
Who does your daily Patron prove:
And let your never ceasing Praise
Attend on his eternal Love.

Of proud oppressing Foes releas'd;
And brought them back from distant Lands,
From North and South, and West and East.

4, 5 Through lonely defart Ways they went, Nor cou'd a peopled City find; 'Till quite with Thirst and Hunger spent, Their fainting Soul within them pin'd.

6 Then foon to God's indulgent Ear Did they their mournful Cry address; Who graciously vouchfas'd to hear, And freed them from their deep Distress.

7 From crooked Paths he led them forth, And in the certain Way did guide, To wealthy Towns of great Refort, Where all their Wants were well supply'd.

8 Othen

8 O then that all the Earth with me Would God for this his Goodness praise! And for the mighty Works which he Throughout the wond'ring World displays!

of longing Souls with Pity views;
To hungry Souls that pant for Meat,
His Goodness daily Food renews.

PART II.

In Death's uncomfortable Shade;
And with unweildy Fetters bound,
By preffing Cares more heavy made.

And lightly priz'd his holy Word, With these Afflictions they were try'd: They fell, and none could Help afford.

Did they their mournful Cry address;
Who graciously vouchsaf'd to hear,
And freed them from their deep Distress.

14 From difmal Dungeons, dark as Night, And Shades as black as Death's Abode, He brought them forth to chearful Light, And welcome Liberty bestow'd.

Would God for this his Goodness praise!

And for the mighty Works which he
Throughout the wond'ring World displays!

16 For he, with his Almighty Hand, The Gates of Brass in Pieces broke; Nor cou'd the massy Bars withstand, Or temper'd Steel resist his Stroke.

PART III.

17 Remorfeless Wretches, void of Sense, With bold Transgressions God defy; And for their multiply'd Offence, Oppress'd with fore Diseases lie:

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18 Their Soul a Prey to Pain and Fear, Abhors to taste the choicest Meats; And they by faint Degrees draw near To Death's inhospitable Gates.

Do they their mournful Cry address;
Who graciously vouchsafes to hear,
And frees them from their deep Distress.

His Word both Health and Safety gives;
And when all human Succour fails,
From near Deftruction them retrieves.

Would God for this his Goodness praise!

And for the mighty Works which he
Throughout the wond'ring World displays!

With Off'rings let his Altar flame,
Whilst they their grateful Thanks express,
And with loud joy his holy Name
For all his Acts of Wonder bless!

#### PART IV.

O'er swelling Waves their Trade pursue,
Do God's amazing Works behold,
And in the Deep his Wonders view.

But forth the dreadful Tempest slies, Which sweeps the Sea with rapid Haste, And makes the stormy Billows rife.

26 Sometimes the Ships, toss'd up to Heav'n, On Tops of mountain Waves appear; Then down the steep Abyss are driv'n, Whilst ev'ry Soul dissolves with Fear.

27 They reel and stagger to and fro, Like Men with Fumes of Wine oppress'd: Nor do the skilful Seamen know Which Way to steer, what Course is best.

28 Then straight to God's indulgent Ear They do their mournful Cry address;

Who

Who graciously vouchsafes to hear, And frees them from their deep Distress.

29, 30 He does the raging Storm appeale, And makes the Billows calm and still; With Joy they see their Fury cease, And their intended Course sulfil.

31 O then that all the Earth, with me, Would God for this his Goodness praise! And for the mighty Works which he Throughout the wond'ring World displays!

32 Let them, where all the Tribes refort,
Advance to Heav'n his glorious Name,
And in the Elder's fov'reign Court
With One Confent his Praise proclaim
PART V.

33, 34 A fruitful Land, where Streams abound, God's just Revenge, if People sin, Will turn to dry and barren Ground, To punish those that dwell therein.

35, 36 The parch'd and defart Heath he makes
To flow with Streams and springing Wells,
Which for his Lot the Hungry takes,
And in strong Cities safely dwells.

37, 38 He fows the Field, the Vineyard plants, Which gratefully his Toil repay;
Nor can, whilst God his Blessing grants,
His fruitful Seed or Stock decay.

39 But when his Sins Heav'n's Wrath provoke, His Health and Substance fade away; He feels th' Oppressor's gauling Yoke, And is of Grief the wretched Prey.

The Prince that flights what God commands, Expos'd to Scorn, must quit the Throne; And over wild and defart Lands, Where no Path offers, stray alone.

Whilst God, from all afflicting Cares,
Sets up the humble Man on high;
And makes in time his num'rous Heirs,
With his increasing Flocks to vie.

42, 43 Then

42, 43 Then Sinners shall have nought to say, The Just a decent Joy shall show; The Wise these strange Events shall weigh, And thence God's Goodness sully know.

PSAM CVIII.

God, my Heart is fully bent to magnify thy Name;
My Tongue with chearful Songs of Praise shall celebrate thy Fame.

2 Awake, my Lute; nor thou, my Harp, thy warbling Notes delay;

Whilst I, with early Hymns of Joy, prevent the dawning Day.

3 To all the list'ning Tribes, O Lord, thy Wonders I will tell,

And to those Nations sing thy Praise that round about us dwell;

4 Because thy Mercy's boundless Height the highest Heav'n transcends,

And far beyond th' aspiring Clouds, thy faithful Truth extends.

5 Be thou, O God, exalted high above the starry Frame;

And let the World, with one Confent, confess thy glorious Name.

6 That all thy chosen People Thee their Saviour may declare;

Let thy right Hand protect me still, and answer thou my Pray'r.

7 Since God himself has faid the Word, Whose Promise cannot fail,

With Joy I Sichem will divide, and measure Succoth's Vale;

8 Gilead is mine, Manasseb too, and Ephraim owns my Cause:

Their Strength my Regal Pow'r supports, and Judah gives my Laws.

9 Moab I'll make my servile Drudge, on vanquish'd Edom tread;

And

And thro' the proud Philistine Lands, my conqu'ring Banners spread.

their well-fenc'd City gain?

Who will my Troops fecurely lead thro' Edom's guarded Plain?

11 Lord, wilt not thou affift our Arms, which late thou didft forfake?

And wilt not thou, of these our Hosts, once more the Guidance take?

12 O to thy Servant in Distress
thy speedy Succour send;

For vain it is on human Aid for Safety to depend.

if thou thy Pow'r disclose;
For God it is, and God alone,
that treads down all our Foes.

PSALM CIX.

God, whose former Mercies make my constant Praise thy Due, Hold not thy Peace, but my sad State with wonted Favour view.

2 For finful Men, with lying Lips, deceitful Speeches frame,

And with their fludy'd Slanders feek to wound my spotless Fame.

3 Their restless Hatred prompts them still malicious Lies to spread;

And all against my Life combine, by causeless Fury led.

4 Those whom with tend'rest Love I us'd, my chief Opposers are;

Whilst I, of other Friends bereft, resort to thee by Pray'r.

5 Since Mischief for the Good I did, their strange Reward does prove;

And Hatred's the Return they make for undiffembled Love,

6 Their

6 Their guilty Leader shall be made to some ill Man a Slave;

And when he's try'd, his mortal Foe for his Accuser have.

7 His Guilt, when Sentence is pronounc'd, shall meet a dreadful Fate,

Whilft his rejected Pray'r but ferves his Crimes to aggravate.

8 He, fnatch'd by some untimely Fate, shan't live out half his Days:

Another, by Divine Decree, shall on his Office seize.

9, 10 His Seed shall Orphans be, his Wife a Widow plung d in Grief;

His vagrant Children beg their Bread, where none can give Relief.

11 His ill-got Riches shall be made to Usurers a Prey;

The Fruit of all his Toil shall be by Strangers borne away.

12 None shall be found that to his Wants their Mercy will extend,

Or to his helpless Orphan Seed the least Affistance lend.

13 A swift Destruction soon shall seize on his unhappy Race;

And the next Age his hated Name shall utterly deface.

14 The Vengeance of his Father's Sins upon his Head shall fall;

God on his Mother's Crimes shall think, and punish him for all.

before the Lord shall stand,

'Till his fierce Anger quite cuts off their Mem'ry from the Land.

PART II.

16 Because he never Mercy shew'd, but still the Poor oppreis'd;

And fought to flay the helpless Man, with heavy Woes distress'd.

17 Therefore the Curse he lov'd to vent, shall his own Portion prove;

And Bleffing, which he ftill abhorr'd, fhall far from him remove.

18 Since he in curfing took fuch Pride, like Water it shall spread

Thro' all his Veins, and flick like Oil with which his Bones are fed.

19 This, like a poison'd Robe, shall still his constant Cov'ring be;

Or an envenom'd Belt, from which he never shall be free.

20 Thus shall the Lord reward all those that Ill to me design,

That with malicious false Reports against my Life combine.

21 But for thy glorious Name, O God, do thou deliver me;

And for thy plenteous Mercy's Sake, preserve and set me free:

22 For I, to utmost Straits reduc'd, am void of all Relief;

My Heart is wounded with Distress, and quite pierc'd thro' with Grief.

23, I, like an Ev'ning Shade, decline, which vanishes apace:

Like Locusts up and down I'm toss'd, and have no certain Place.

24, 25 My Knees with Fasting are grown weak, my Body lank and lean;

All that behold me shake their Heads, and treat me with Disdain.

26, 27 But for thy Mercies Sake, O Lord, do thou my Foes withstand;

That all may see 'tis thy own Act, the Work of thy right Hand.

23 Then

28 Then let them curse, so thou but bless : let Shame the Portion be

Of all that my Destruction seek, while I rejoice in thee.

29 My Foe shall with Disgrace be cloath'd, and spite of all his Pride,

His own Confusion, like a Cloak, the guilty Wretch shall hide.

30 But I to God, in grateful Thanks, my chearful Voice will raise;

And where the great Assembly meets, fet forth his noble Praise.

31 For him the Poor shall always find their sure and constant Friend;

And he shall from unrighteous Dooms, their guiltless Souls defend.

PSALM CX.

THE Lord unto my Lord thus faid,
"'Till I thy Foes thy Footstool make,
"Sit thou, in State, at my right Hand.

2 " Supreme in Sion thou shalt be,

"And all thy proud Opposers see
"Subjected to thy just Command.

3 " Thee, in thy Pow'r's triumphant Day,

"The willing Nations shall obey.

"And when thy rifing Beams they view,

"Shall all (redeem'd from Error's Night)
"Appear as numberless and bright

"As crystal Drops of Morning Dew."

4 The Lord hath fworn, not fworn in vain, That, like Melchisedech's, thy Reign And Priesthood shall no Period know:

5 No proud Competitor to fit
At thy right Hand will he permit,
But in his Wrath crown'd Heads o'erthrow.

6 The fentenc'd Heathen he shall slay, And fill with Carcases his Way,

'Till he hath ftruck Earth's Tyrants dead:

7 But in the Highway Brooks shall first, Like a poor Pilgrim, slake his Thirst, And then in Triumph raise his Head. P S A L M CXI.

PRaise ye the Lord our God, to praise My Soul her utmost Pow'rs shall raise, With private Friends, and in the Throng Of Saints, his Praise shall be my Song.

2 His Works, for Greatness the renown'd, His wond'rous Works with Ease are found By those who seek for them aright, And in the pious Search delight.

3 His Works are all of matchless Fame, And universal Glory claim; His Truth confirm'd thro' Ages past, Shall to eternal Ages last.

4 By Precept he has us enjoin'd,
To keep his wond'rous Works in Mind;
And to Posterity record,
That good and gracious is our Lord.

His Bounty, like a flowing Tide, Has all his Servants Wants supply'd; And he will ever keep in Mind, His Cov'nant with our Fathers sign'd.

6 At once astonish'd and o'erjoy'd, They saw his matchless Pow'r employ'd: Whereby the Heathen were suppress'd, And we their Heritage posses'd.

7 Just are the Dealings of his Hands, Immutable are his Commands,

8 By Truth and Equity fustain'd, And for eternal Rules ordain'd.

9 He set his Saints from Bondage free, And then establish'd his Decree, For ever to remain the same; Holy and rev'rend is his Name.

10 Who Wisdom's sacred Prize wou'd win, Must with the Fear of God begin;

Immortal

Immortal Praise and heav'nly Skill Have they who know and do his Will.

PSALM CXII.

HALLELUJAH.

HAT Man is bles'd who stands in Awe
Of God, and loves his facred Law:

2 His Seed on Earth shall be renown'd, And with successive Honours crown'd.

3 His House, the Seat of Wealth, shall be An inexhausted Treasury; His Justice, free from all Decay, Shall Blessings to his Heirs convey.

The Soul that's fill'd with Virtue's Light, Shines brightest in Affliction's Night: To pity the Distress'd inclin'd As well as just to all Mankind.

To fome he gives, to others lends; Yet what his Charity impairs, He faves by Prudence in Affairs.

6 Beset with threatning Dangers round, Unmov'd shall he maintain his Ground: The sweet Remembrance of the Just Shall flourish when he sleeps in Dust.

7 Ill Tidings never can furprize His Heart that, fix'd, on God relies:

8 On Safety's Rock he fits and fees The Shipwreck of his Enemies.

9 His Hands, while they his Alms bestow'd, His Glory's future Harvest sow'd, Whence he shall reap Wealth, Fame, Renown, A temp'ral and eternal Crown.

The Wicked shall his Triumph see, And gnash their Teeth in Agony; While their unrighteous Hopes decay, And vanish with themselves away.

PSALM CXIII.

E Saints and Servants of the Lord,
The Triumphs of his Name record;

2 His facred Name for ever blefs.

3 Where-e'er the circling Sun displays His rifing Beams or fetting Rays, Due Praise to his great Name address.

4 God thro' the World extends his Sway: The Regions of eternal Day, Bur Shadows of his Glory are.

5 To him whose Majesty excels, Who made the Heav'n in which he dwells, Let no created Pow'r compare.

6 Tho' 'tis beneath his State to view In highest Heav'n what Angels do, Yet he to Earth vouchfairs his Care: He takes the Needy from his Cell, Advancing him in Courts to dwell,

Companion to the Greatest there.

7 When Childles Camilies despair, He fends the Bleifing of an Heir to refeue their expiring Name: Makes her that barren was, to bear, And joyfully her Fruit to rear.

> O then extol his matchless Fame! PSALM CXIV.

THEN If el, by th' Almighty led, (Enrich'd with their Oppressor's Spoil) From Egypt march'd, and Jacob's Seed From Bondage in a foreign Soil;

2 Jehovah, for his Residence, Chose out Imperial Judah's Tent, His Mantion Royal, and from thence Thro' Ifr'el's Camp his Orders fent.

3 The diftant Sea with Terror faw, And from th' Almighty's Presence fled; Old Jordan's Streams surpriz'd with Awe, Retreated to their Fountain's Head.

4 The caller Mountains skipp'd like Rams, When Danger near the Fold they hear; The Hills skipp'd after them like Lambs, Affrighted by their Leader's Fear.

O Seas, what made your Tide withdraw, And naked leave your oozy Bed? Way Jordan, against Nature's Law, Recoild'st thou to thy Fountain's Head?

6 Why Mountains did ye skip like Rams, When Danger does approach the Fold? Why after you the Hills like Lambs, When they their Leader's Flight behold?

7 Earth tremble on; well may'st thou sear Thy Lord and Maker's Face to see: When Jacob's awful God draws near, 'Tis Time for Earth and Seas to see.

8 To flee from God, who Nature's Law Confirms and cancels at his Will; Who Springs from flinty Rocks can draw, And thirsty Vales with Water fill.

PSALM CXV.

I ORD, not to us, we claim no Share, but to thy facred Name
Give Glory, for thy Mercy's fake, and Truth's eternal Fame.

2 Why should the Heathen cry, Where's now the God whom we adore?

3 Convince 'em that in Heav'n thou art, and uncontroul'd thy Pow'r.

4 Their Gods but Gold and Silver are, the Works of mortal Hands;

5 With speechless Mouth, and sightless Eyes, the molten Idol stands.

6 The Pageant hath both Ears and Nose, but neither hears nor smells;

7 Its Hands and Feet nor feel, nor move, no Life within it dwells.

8 Such fenfelese Stocks they are, that we can nothing like 'em find;
But those who on their Help rely, and them for Gods design'd.

9 O Isr'el, make the Lord your Trust, who is your Help and Shield; 10 Priests, ro Priests, Levites, trust in him alone, who only Help can yield.

on himth ey fear rely;
Who them in Danger can defend.

and all their Wants supply.

and Ifr'el's House will bless;
Priests, Levites, Proselytes, ev'n all
who his great Name confess.

14 On you, and on your Heirs, he will Increase of Bleffings bring,

15 Thrice happy you, who Fav'rites are of this Almighty King.

his Empire's Seat delign'd;
And gave this lower Globe of Earth
a Portion to Mankind.

They who in Death and Silence sleep, to him no Praise afford:

our ever-living Lord.

PSALM CXVI.

Y Soul with grateful Thoughts of Love entirely is possess,
Because the Lord vouchsaf'd to hear the Voice of my Request.

2 Since he has now his Ear inclin'd, I never will despair;

But still in all the Straits of Life to him address my Pray'r.

3 With deadly Sorrows compass'd round, with Pains of Hell oppress'd;

When Troubles feiz'd my aking Heart, and Anguish rack'd my Breast:

4 On God's Almighty Name I call'd, and thus to him I pray'd;

"Lord, I befeech thee, fave my Soul, with Sorrows quite difmay'd;"

N 2 5, 6 How

5, 6 How just and merciful is God, how gracious is the Lord!

Who faves the harmless, and to me does timely Help afford.

7 Then free from pensive Cares, my Soul resume thy wonted Rest;

For God has wond'rously to thee his bounteous Love exprest.

8 When Death alarm'd me, he remov'd my Dangers and my Fears:

My Feet from falling he secur'd, and dry'd my Eyes from Tears.

o Therefore my Life's remaining Years, which God to me shall lend,

Will I in Praises to his Name, and in his Service spend.

in greatest Straits did boast;

(For in my Flight all Hopes of Aid from faithless Men were lost:)

12, 13 Then what Return to him shall I for all his Goodness make?

I'll praise his Name, and with glad Zeal the Cup of Bleffing take.

14, 15 I'll pay my Vows amongst his Saints, whose Blood (howe'er despis'd

By wicked Men) in God's Account is always highly priz'd:

16 By various Ties, O Lord, must I to thy Dominion bow:

Thy humble Handmaid's Son before, thy ranfom'd Captive now!

17, 18 To Thee I'll Off'rings bring of Praise; and whilft I bless thy Name,

The just Performance of my Vows to all thy Saints proclaim.

19 They in Ferusalem shall meet, and in thy House shall join,

To bless thy Name with one Consent, and mix their Songs with mine.

PSALM CXVII.

ITH chearful Notes let all the Earth to Heav'n their Voices raise: Let all, inspir'd with godly Mirth, fing folemn Hymns of Praise.

2 God's tender Mercy knows no Bound. his Truth shall ne'er decay: Then let the willing Nations round, their grateful Tribute pay.

PSALM CXVIII.

Praise the Lord, for he is good, his Mercies ne'er decay: That his kind Favours ever last. let thankful Isr'el say.

3, 4 Their Sense of his eternal Love, let Aaron's House express;

And that it never fails, let all that fear the Lord, confess.

5 To God I made my humble Moan. with Troubles quite opprest;

And he releas'd me from my Straits, and granted my Request.

6 Since therefore God does on my Side fo graciously appear,

Why should the vain Attempts of Men poffess my Soul with Fear?

7 Since God with those that aid my Cause vouchsafes my Part to take,

To all my Foes I need not doubt a just Return to make.

8, 9 For better 'tis to trust in God. and have the Lord our Friend.

Than on the greatest human Pow'r for Safety to depend.

10, 11 Tho' many Nations closely leagu'd, did oft befet me round;

N 3

Yet by his boundless Pow'r sustain'd, I did their Strength confound.

ry They swarm'd like Bees, and yet their Rago was but a short-liv'd Blaze;

For whilst on God I still rely'd,

I vanquish'd them with Ease.

in hopes to make me fall,

The Lord vouchfaf'd to take my Part,
and fav'd me from them all.

to him alone belongs;
He is my Saviour and my Strength,
he only claims my Songs.

yhom God has fav'd from Harm;
For wond'rous Things are brought to pass
by his Almighty Arm.

16 He, by his own resistless Pow'r,
has endless Honour won;
The saving Strength of his right Hand,
amazing Works has done.

but still prolongs my Days;
That by declaring all his Works,
I may advance his Praise.

18 When God had forely me chaftis'd till quite of Hopes bereav'd, His Mercy from the Gates of Death my fainting Life repriev'd.

19 Then open wide the Temple Gates to which the Just repair, That I may enter in and praise my great Deliv'rer there.

20, 21 Within those Gates of God's Abode, to which the Righteous press, Since thou hast heard, and set me safe, thy holy Name I'll bless.

22, 23 That

22, 23 That which the Builders once refus'd, is now the Corner Stone.

This is the wond'rous Work of God, the Work of God alone.

24, 25 This Day is God's; let all the Land exalt their chearful Voice:

Lord, we befeech thee, fave us now,

and make us still rejoice.

26 Him that approaches in God's Name, let all th' Affembly bless; "We that belong to God's own House "have wish'd you good Success."

27 God is the Lord, through whom we all both Light and Comfort find;
Fast to the Altar's Horns with Cords the chosen Viotim bind.

28 Thou art my Lord, O God, and still I'll praise thy holy Name;
Because thou only art my God,
I'll celebrate thy Fame.

29 O then with me give Thanks to God, who still does gracious prove;
And let the Tribute of our Praise be endless as his Love.

## PSALM CXIX. ALEPH.

HOW bless'd are they who always keep the pure and perfect Way! Who never from the facred Paths of God's Commandments stray!

2 Thrice bles'd! who to his righteous Laws have still obedient been!

And have with fervent humble Zeal his Favour fought to win!

3 Such Men their utmost Caution use to shun each wicked Deed; But in the Path which he directs with constant Care proceed.

N 4

4 Thou

4 Thou strictly hast enjoin'd us, Lord, to learn thy facred Will;
And all our Diligence employ

thy Statutes to fulfil.

of then that thy most holy Will might o'er my Ways preside!

And I the Course of all my Life

By thy Direction guide!

6 Then with Affurance should I walk, from all Confusion free;

Convinc'd with Joy, that all my Ways with thy Commands agree.

7 My upright Heart shall my glad Mouth with chearful Praises fill;

When by thy righteous Judgments taught, I shall have learnt thy Will.

8 So to thy facred Law shall I all due Observance pay:

O then for fake me not, my God, nor cast me quite away.

BETH.

9 How shall the Young preserve their Ways from all Pollution free?

By making still their Course of Life with thy Commands agree.

to thee for Succour pray;

O fuffer not my careless Steps from thy right Paths to stray.

thy Word, my Treasure lies, To succour me with timely Aid, when sinful Thoughts arise.

12 Secur'd by that, my grateful Soul shall ever bless thy Name:

O teach me then by thy just Laws my future Life to frame.

13 My Lips, unlock'd by pious Zeal, to others have declar'd;

How

How well the Judgments of thy Mouth deserve our best Regard.

14 Whilst in the Way of thy Commands more solid Joy I found,

Than had I been with vast Increase of envy'd Riches crown'd.

Therefore thy just and upright Laws shall always fill my Mind,

And those found Rules which thou prescrib'st, all due Respect shall find.

16 To keep thy Statutes undefac'd fhall be my constant Joy;

The strict Remembrance of thy Word shall all my Thoughts employ.

G I M E L.

do thou my Life defend,
That I according to thy Word
my Time to come may fpend.

18 Enlighten both my Eyes and Mind, That so I may discern

The wond'rous Things which they behold, who thy just Precepts learn.

from Place to Place I stray,
Thy righteous Judgments from my Sight,

remove not thou away.

20 My fainting Soul is almost pin'd, with earnest Longing spent; Whilst always on the eager Search

of thy just Will, intent.

21 Thy sharp Rebuke shall crush the Proud, whom still thy Curse pursues; Since they to walk in thy right Ways presumptuously resuse.

22 But far from me do thou, O Lord,
Contempt and Shame remove;
For I thy facred Laws affect
with undiffembled Love.

23 Tho

23 Tho' Princes oft, in Council met, against thy Servant spake;
Yet I thy Statutes to observe, my constant Bus'ness make.

24 For thy Commands have always been my Comfort and Delight;
By them I learn with prudent Care.

to guide my Steps aright.

D A L E T H.

25 My Soul oppress'd with deadly Care, close to the Dust does cleave; Revive me, Lord, and let me now thy promis'd Aid receive.

26 To Thee I still declar'd my Ways, and thou inclin'dst thine Ear;

O teach me then my future Life by thy just Laws to steer.

27 If thou wilt make me know thy Laws, and by their Guidance walk,

The wond'rous Works which thou hast done,

shall be my constant Talk.

28 But fee, my Soul within me finks, press'd down with weighty Care; Do thou, according to thy Word, my wasted Strength repair.

29 Far, far from me be all false Ways, and lying Arts remov'd; But kindly grant I still may keep

the Path by thee approv'd!

my happy Choice I've made;
Thy Judgments, as my Rule of Life,
before me always laid.

31 My Care has been to make my Life

O then preferve thy Servant, Lord, from Shame and Ruin free.

32 So in the Way of thy Commands fhall I with Pleasure run.

And

And with a Heart enlarg'd with Joy, fuccessfully go on.

HE.

33 Instruct me in thy Statutes, Lord, thy righteous Paths display; And I from them, through all my Life,

will never on aftray

will never go aftray.

34 If thou true Wisdom from above wilt graciously impart

To keep thy perfect I awa I will

To keep thy perfect Laws I will devote my zealous Heart.

35 Direct the in the facred Ways to which thy Precepts lead;
Because my chief Delight has been thy righteous Paths to tread.

36 Do thou to thy most just Commands incline my willing Heart;

Let no Defire of worldly Wealth from thee my Thoughts divert.

37 From those vain Objects turn my Eyes, which this false World displays;
But give me lively Power and Strength to keep thy righteous Ways.

38 Confirm the Promise which thou mad'st,

and give thy Servant Aid,

Who to transgress thy sacred Laws is awfully afraid.

39 The foul Difgrace I justly fear, in Mercy Lord remove;

For all the Judgments thou ordain'ft are full of Grace and Love.

40 Thou know'ft how after thy Commands my longing Heart does pant;

O then make hafte to raise me up, and promis'd Succour grant.

V AU.

41 Thy constant Blessing, Lord, bestow to chear my drooping Heart; To me, according to thy Word, thy faving Health impart.

42 So shall I, when my Foes upbraid, this ready Answer make;

"In God, I truft, who never will his faithful Promife break."

43 Then let not quite the Word of Truth be from my Mouth remov'd; Since still my Ground of stedsast Hope thy just Decrees have prov'd.

will all my Study bend;
From Age to Age, my Time to come

in their Observance spend.

from all Incumbrance free;
Since I resolve to make my Life
with thy Commands agree.

46 Thy Laws shall be my constant Talk; and Princes shall attend, Whilst I the Justice of thy Ways

with Confidence defend.

47 My longing Heart and ravish'd Soul shall both o'erslow with Joy,
When in thy lov'd Commandments I my happy Hours employ.

48 Then will I to thy just Decrees
lift up my willing Hands;
My Care and Bus ness then shall be

to fludy thy Commands. Z A I N.

49 According to thy promis'd Grace, thy Favour, Lord, extend: Make good to me the Word, on which thy Servant's Hopes depend.

50 That only Comfort in Distress did all my Griefs controul;

Thy Word, when Troubles hemm'd me round, reviv'd my fainting Soul. 51 In-

51 Insuling Foes did proudly mock, and all my Hopes deride;

Yet, from thy Law, not all their Scoffs could make me turn afide.

52 Thy Judgments then, of antient Date, I quickly call to mind,

'Till ravish'd with such Thoughts, my Soul did speedy Comfort find.

53 Sometimes I stand amaz'd, like one with deadly Horror struck,
To think how all my finful Foes

have thy just Laws forfook.

54 But I thy Statutes and Decrees my chearful Anthems made;

Whilst thro' strange Lands and Desarts wild I like a Pilgrim stray'd.

55. Thy Name, that chear'd my Heart by Day, has fill'd my Thoughts by Night;
I then resolv'd by thy just Laws

to guide my Steps aright.

56 That Peace of Mind, which has my Soul in deep Diftress sustain'd,

By strict Obedience to thy Will I happily obtain'd.

CHETH.

57 O Lord, my God, my Portion thou and fure Possession art; Thy Words I stedsastly resolve

to treasure in my Heart.

58 With all the Strength of warm Desires
I did thy Grace implore;
Disclose, according to thy Word,

thy Mercies boundless Store.

With due Reslection and strict Care

on all my Ways I thought; And fo, reclaim'd to thy just Paths, my wand'ring Steps I brought.

60 I lost no Time, but made great haste, resolv'd, without Delay,

To watch that I might never more from thy Commandments stray.

61 Tho' num'rous Troops of finful Men to rob me have combin'd; Yet I thy pure and righteous Laws

have ever kept in mind.

62 In dead of Night I will arise to fing thy folemn Praise;

Convinc'd how much I always ought to love thy righteous Ways.

63 To fuch as fear thy holy Name, myself I closely join; To all who their obedient Wills

to thy Commands relign.

64 O'er all the Earth thy Mercy, Lord, abundantly is shed;

O make me then exactly learn thy facred Paths to tread.

TETH.

65 With me, thy Servant, thou hast dealt most graciously, O Lord, Repeated Benefits bestow'd, according to thy Word.

66 Teach me the facred Skill by which right Judgment is attain'd,

Who in Belief of thy Commands have stedfastly remain'd.

67 Before Affliction stopp'd my Course, my Footsteps went aftray; But I have fince been disciplin'd

thy Precepts to obey. 68 Thou art, O Lord, supremely good, and all thou doft is fo;

On me, thy Statutes to discern, thy faving Skill bestow.

69 The Proud have forg'd malicious Lies, my spotless Fame to stain; But my fix'd Heart, without Reserve, 70 While thy Precepts shall retain.

70 While pamper'd they, with prosp'rous Ills, in sensual Pleasures live,

My Soul can relish no Delight, but what thy Precepts give.

71 'Tis good for me that I have felt
Affliction's chaft'ning Rod,
That I might duly learn and keep
the Statutes of my God

the Statutes of my God.

72 The Law that from thy Mouth proceeds, of more Esteem I hold,

Than untouch'd Mines, than thousand Mines of Silver and of Gold.

7 0 D.

73 To me, who am the Workmanship of thy Almighty Hands,
The heav'nly Understanding give

to learn thy just Commands.

74 My Preservation to thy Saints
ftrong Comfort will afford,
To see Success attend my Hopes;
who trusted in thy Word.

75 That right thy Judgments are, I now by fure Experience see;

And that in Faithfulness, O Lord, thou hast afflicted me.

76 O let thy tender Mercy now afford me needful Aid;
According to thy Promise, Lord,

to me, thy Servant, made.

77 To me thy faving Grace reftore,
That I again may live;
Whose Soul can relish no Delight,
but what thy Precepts give.

78 Defeat the Proud, who, unprovok'd, to ruin me have fought,

Who only on thy facred Laws employ my harmless Thought.

79 Let those that fear thy Name espouse my Cause, and those alone

Who

Who have by ftrict and pious Search thy facred Precepts known.

80 In thy bleft Statutes let my Heart continue always found:

That Guilt and Shame, the Sinner's Lot, may never me confound.

CAPH.

81 My Soul with long Expectance faints
to fee thy faving Grace:
Yet still on thy unerring Word
my Confidence I place.

82 My very Eyes confume and fail with waiting for thy Word;
O! when wilt thou thy kind Relief and promis'd Aid afford.

83 My Skin like shrivel'd Parchment shows, that long in Smoke is set; Yet no Affliction me can force thy Statutes to forget.

84 How many Days must I endure of Sorrow and Distress?

When wilt thou Judgment execute on them who me oppress?

85 The Proud have digg'd a Pit for me, that have no other Foes, But such as are averse to thee, and thy just Laws oppose.

86 With Right and Truth's eternal Laws
all thy Commands agree;

Men perfecute me without Cause, thou, Lord, my Helper be.

87 With close Designs against my Life they had almost prevail'd;
But in Obedience to thy Will my Duty never fail'd:

88 Thy wonted Kindness, Lord, restore, my drooping Heart to chear; That by thy righteous Statutes, I my Life's whole Course may steer.

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## LAMED.

89 For ever and for ever, Lord, unchang'd thou dost remain;

Thy Word, establish'd in the Heav'ns, does all their Orbs sustain.

90 Thro' circling Ages, Lord, thy Truth

immoveable shall stand, As doth the Earth which thou uphold'st

by thy Almighty Hand.

91 All Things the Course by thee ordain'd, ev'n to this Day fulfil;

They are thy faithful Subjects all, and Servants of thy Will.

92 Unless thy facred Law had been my Comfort and Delight, I must have fainted and expir'd

in dark Affliction's Night.

93 Thy Precepts therefore from my Thoughts
fhall never, Lord, depart;
For thou by them haft to new Life
reftor'd my dying Heart.

94 As I am thine, entirely thine, protect me, Lord, from Harm;

Who have thy Precepts fought to know, and carefully perform.

95 The Wicked have their Ambush laid, my guiltless Life to take;

But in the Midst of Danger I thy Word my Study make.

96 I've seen an End of what we call Perfection here below:

But thy Commandments, like Thyself, no Change or Period know.

## M E M.

97 The Love that to thy Laws I bear, no Language can display; They with fresh Wonders entertain my ravish'd Thoughts all Day.

98 Thro

98 Thro' thy Commands I wifer grow than all my fubtle Foes; For thy fure Word doth me direct,

and all my Ways dispose.

99 From me my former Teachers now may abler Counsel take; Because thy facred Precepts I my constant Study make.

100 In Understanding I excell the Sages of our Days; Because by thy unerring Rules

I order all my Ways.

101 My Feet with Care I have refrain'd from ev'ry finful Way, That to thy facred Word I might

entire Obedience pay.

102 I have not from thy Judgments stray'd, by vain Defires misled; For, Lord, thou hast instructed me

thy righteous Paths to tread.

103 How sweet are all thy Words to me; O what divine Repaft.! How much more grateful to my Soul,

than Honey to my Tafte.

104 Taught by thy facred Precepts, I with heav'nly Skill am bleft, Thro' which the treach'rous Ways of Sin I utterly detest.

NUN.

105 Thy Word is to my Feet a Lamp, the Way of Truth to show; A Watch-light to point out the Path, in which I ought to go.

106 I swear (and from my solemn Oath I'll never start aside)

That in thy righteous Judgments I

will stediastly abide. 107 Since I with Griefs am so opprest, that I can bear no more;

According

According to thy Word, do thou my fainting Soul restore.

108 Let still my Sacrifice of Praise with Thee Acceptance find;

And in thy righteous Judgments, Lord, instruct my willing Mind.

my Soul they cannot awe,

Nor with continual Terrors keep
from thinking on thy Law.

for me their Snares have laid;
Yet I have kept the upright Path,
nor from thy Precepts stray'd.

my Heritage and Choice;
For they, when other Comforts fail,
my drooping Heart rejoice.

thy Statutes to obey;
And till my Course of Life is done,

s A M E C H.

I 13 Deceitful Thoughts and Practices
I utterly detest;
But to thy Law Affection bear,
too great to be exprest;

and Shield art thou, O Lord;
I firmly anchor all my Hopes
on thy unerring Word.

115 Hence ye that trade in Wickedness, approach not my Abode;
For firmly I resolve to keep the Precepts of my God.

from Danger set me free;

Nor make me of those Hopes asham'd,
that I repose in Thee.

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117 Uphold

117 Uphold me, so shall I be safe, and rescu'd from Distress; To thy Decrees continually my just Respect address.

who from thy Statutes stray'd;
Their vile Deceit the just Reward
of their own Falshood made.

thou dost like Dross remove;
I therefore, with such Justice charm'd,
thy Testimonies love.

120 Yet with that Love they make me dread, lest I should so offend.

When on Transgressors I behold thy Judgments thus descend.

AIN.

O therefore, Lord, engage
In my Defence, nor give me up
to my Oppressor's Rage.

and fo shall this Distress

Prove good for me; nor shall the Proud
my guiltless Soul oppress.

in long Expectance held;
'Till thy Salvation they behold,
and righteous Word fulfill'd.

thy wonted Grace display,
And discipline my willing Heart
thy Statutes to obey.

thy facred Skill bestow,
That of thy Testimonies I
the full Extent may know.

126 'Tis time, high time for thee, O Lord, thy Vengeance to employ,

When

When Men with open Violence thy facred Law destroy.

but make their Value rife
In my Esteem, who purest Gold
compar'd with them despise.

128 Thy Precepts therefore I account, in all respects, divine:

They teach me to discern the right and all false Ways decline.

P E.

no Words can represent;
Therefore to learn and practise them,
my zealous Heart is bent.

coeleftial Light displays,

And Knowlege of true Happiness to simplest Minds conveys.

and fainted with Defire,

That of thy wife Commands I might
the facred Skill acquire.

who thy Relief implore;
As thou art wont to visit those

that thy bleft Name adore.

133 Directed by thy heav'nly Word, let all my Footsteps be; Nor Wickedness of any kind Dominion have o'er me.

from perfecuting Hands, That, unmolefted, I may learn and practife thy Commands.

Lord, make thy Face to shine:

Thy Statutes both to know and keep,
my Heart with Zeal incline.

136 Mg

136 My Eyes to weeping Fountains turn whence briny Rivers flow, To fee Mankind against thy Laws in bold Defiance go. TSADDI.

137 Thou art the righteous Judge, in whom wrong'd Innocence may trust; And, like Thyfelf, thy Judgments, Lord, in all Respects are just.

138 Most just and true those Statutes were,

which thou didft first decree; And all with Faithfulness perform'd, fucceeding Times shall fee.

139 With Zeal my Flesh consumes away, my Soul with Anguish frets, To fee my Foes contemn at once thy Promises and Threats.

140 Yet each neglected Word of thine (howe'er by them despis'd) Is pure, and for eternal Truth

by me, thy Servant, priz'd.

141 Brought, for thy Sake, to low Estate, Contempt from all I find; Yet no Affronts or Wiongs can drive thy Precepts from my Mind.

142 Thy Righteousness shall then endure, when Time itself is past; Thy Law is Truth itself, that Truth

which shall for ever last.

143 Tho' Trouble, Anguish, Doubts, and Dread to compais me unite; Befet with Danger, still I make thy Precepts my Delight.

144 Eternal and unerring Rules thy Testimonies give:

Teach me the Wisdom that will make my Soul for ever live.

## KOPH.

145 With my whole Heart to God I call'd, Lord, hear my earnest Cry; And I, thy Statutes to perform, will all my Care apply.

146 Again more fervently I pray'd, O fave me, that I may

Thy Testimonies throughly know,

and stedfastly obey.

147 My earlier Pray'r the dawning Day prevented, while I cry'd To him on whose engaging Word my Hope alone rely'd.

148 With Zeal have I awak'd before the Midnight Watch was fet, That I of thy mysterious Word might perfect Knowlege get.

649 Lord, hear my supplicating Voice, and wonted Favour shew; O quicken me, and so approve

thy Judgment ever true.

150 My perfecuting Foes advance, and hourly nearer draw; What Treatment can I hope from them who violate thy Law?

151 Tho' they draw nigh, my Comfort is thou, Lord, art yet more near; Thou, whose Commands are righteous all, thy Promifes fincere.

152 Concerning thy divine Decrees, my Soul has known of old That they were true, and shall their Truth to endless Ages hold.

RESCH.

153 Confider my Affliction, Lord, and me from Bondage draw; Think on thy Servant in Distress, who ne'er forgets thy Law.

154 Plead

thy timely Aid afford;
With Beams of Mercy quicken me
according to thy Word.

155 From harden'd Sinners thou remov'st Salvation far away:

'Tis just thou should'st withdraw from them, who from thy Statutes stray.

to all who Thee adore;
According to thy Judgments, Lord,
my fainting Hopes restore.

against my Life combine;
But all too few to force my Soul

thy Statutes to decline.

and was with Grief oppress'd,
To see with what audacious Pride
thy Cov'nant they transgress'd.

159 Yet while they flight, confider, Lord, how I thy Precepts love;

O therefore quicken me with Beams of Mercy from Above.

160 As from the Birth of Time thy Truth
has held through Ages past,
So shall thy righteous Judgments, firm,

to endless Ages last.

SCHIN.

161 Tho' mighty Tyrants, without Cause, conspire my Blood to shed,
Thy facred Word has Pow'r alone to fill my Heart with Dread.

162 And yet that Word my joyful Breast with heav'nly Rapture warms, Nor Conquest, nor the Spoils of War, have such transporting Charms.

163 Perfidious Practices and Lies
I utterly detest;

But to thy Laws Affection bear, too vast to be exprest.

164 Sev'n times a Day, with grateful Voice, thy Praises I resound, Recause I find thy Judgments all

Because I find thy Judgments all with Truth and Justice crown'd.

who truly love thy Law;
No fmiling Mischief them can tempt

nor frowning Danger awe.

and tho' fo long delay'd,

With chearful Zeal and strictest Care
all thy Commands obey'd.

and constantly obey'd;
Because the Love I bore to them,
thy Service easy made.

168 From strict Observance of thy Laws
I never yet withdrew;
Convinc'd that my most facred Ways

are open to thy View. T A U.

169 To my Request and earnest Cry attend, O gracious Lord; Inspire my Heart with heav'nly Skill, according to thy Word.

before thy Throne appear;
According to thy plighted Word
for my Relief draw near.

171 Then shall my grateful Lips return the Tribute of their Praise, When thou thy Counsels hast reveal'd,

and taught me thy just Ways.

172 My Tongue the Praises of thy Word shall thankfully resound,
Because thy Promises are all with Truth and Justice crown'd.

173 Let

and bring me timely Aid;

For I the Laws thou hast ordain'd,

my Heart's free Choice have made.

174 My Soul has waited long to fee thy faving Grace reftor'd;

Nor Comfort knew, but what thy Laws, thy heav'nly Laws afford.

175 Prolong my Life, that I may fing my great Restorer's Praise,

Whose Justice from the Depth of Woes my fainting Soul shall raise.

176 Like some loft Sheep I've stray'd, till I despair my Way to find:

Thou, therefore, Lord, thy Servant seek, who keeps thy Laws in mind.

PSALM CXX.

IN deep Diffress I oft have cry'd To God, who never yet deny'd To rescue me oppress'd with Wrongs;

2 Once more, O Lord, Deliv'rance fend, From lying Lips my Soul defend,

And from the Rage of fland'ring Tongues;

3 What little Profit can accrue, And yet what heavy Wrath is due,

O thou perfidious Tongue, to Thee?

Thy Sting upon thyself shall turn
Of lasting Flames that siercely burn,
The constant Fuel thou shalt be.

Who am a Sojourner become
In barren Mesech's desart Soil!
With Kedar's wicked Tents inclos'd,
To lawless Savages expos'd,

Who live on nought but Theft and Spoil.

6 My haples Dwelling is with those Who Peace and Amity oppose, And Pleature take in others Harms:

7 Sweet

7 Sweet Peace is all I court and seek;
But when to them of Peace I speak,
They straight cry out, To Arms, To Arms,
P S A L M CXXI.

TO Sion's Hill I lift my Eyes, from thence expecting Aid;

2 From Sion's Hill and Sion's God, who Heav'n and Earth has made.

3 Then, thou my Soul, in Safety rest, thy Guardian will not sleep;

4 His watchful Care that Ifr'el guards, will Ifr'el's Monarch keep.

5 Shelter'd beneath th' Almighty's Wings, thou shalt securely rest,

6 Where neither Sun or Moon shall thee by Day or Night molest.

7 From common Accidents of Life his Care shall guard thee still; From the blind Stroke of Chance and Foes that lie in wait to kill.

8 At Home, Abroad, in Peace, in War, thy God shall thee defend; Conduct thee thro' Life's Pilgrimage

fafe to thy Journey's End.

P S A L M CXXII.

Twas a joyful Sound to hear our Tribes devoutly fay,
Up, Ifr'el, to the Temple hafte,
and keep your Festal Day.

2 At Salem's Courts we must appear with our assembled Pow'rs;

3 In strong and beauteous Order rang'd like her united Tow'rs;

4 'Tis thither, by Divine Command, the Tribes of God repair,
Before his Ark to celebrate
his Name with Praise and Pray'r.

5 Tribunals stand erected there, where Equity takes place;

There

There stand the Courts and Palaces of Royal David's Race.

6 O, pray we then for Salem's Peace: for they shall prosp'rous be, (Thou holy City of our God!) who bear true Love to thee.

7 May Peace within thy facred Walls a constant Guest be found, With Plenty and Prosperity thy Palaces be crown'd.

8 For my dear Brethren's Sake, and Friends, no less than Brethren dear,

I'll pray—May Peace in Salem's Tow'rs a constant Guest appear.

9 But most of all I'll feek thy Good, and ever wish thee well, For Sion and the Temple's Sake,

where God vouchfafes to dwell. PSALM CXXIII.

N Thee, who dwell'st above the Skies, 1,2 For Mercy wait my longing Eyes; As Servants watch their Master's Hands, And Maids their Miftreffes Commands.

3, 4 O then have Mercy on us, Lord, Thy gracious Aid to us afford: To us whom cruel Foes oppress. Grown rich and proud by our Diffress.

PSALM CXXIV. AD not the Lord (may Isr'el say) been pleas'd to interpose,

2 Had he not then espous'd our Cause, when Men against us rose,

3, 4, 5 Their Wrath had fwallow'd us alive, and rag'd without Controul; Their Spite and Pride's united Floods

had quite o'erwhelm'd our Soul.

6 But prais'd be our eternal Lord, who refcu'd us that Day,

Nor to their favage Jaws gave up our threat'ned Lives a Prey.

7 Our Soul is like a Bird escap'd from out the Fowler's Net;

The Snare is broke, their Hopes are cross'd, and we at Freedom set.

8 Secure in his Almighty Name, our Confidence remains,

Who, as he made both Heav'n and Earth of both fole Monarch reigns.

PSALM CXXV.

WHO place on Sion's God their Trust, like Sion's Rock shall stand;

Like her immoveable be fix'd by his Almighty Hand.

2 Look how the Hills on ev'ry Side Jerusalem inclose;

So stands the Lord around his Saints, to guard them from their Foes.

The Wicked may afflict the Just, but ne'er too long oppress, Nor force him by Despair to seek base Means for his Redress.

Be good, O righteous God, to those who righteous Deeds affect:

The Heart that Innocence retains, let Innocence protect.

5 All those who walk in crooked Paths, the Lord shall soon destroy;

Cut off th' Unjust, but crown the Saints with lasting Peace and Joy.

PSALM CXXVI.

1 WHEN Sion's God her Sons recall'd from long Captivity,
It seem'd at first a pleasing Dream of what we wish'd to see:

2 But foon, in unaccustom'd Mirth, we did our Voice employ,

And

And fung our great Creator's Praise in thankful Hymns of Joy.

Our Heathen Foes repining stood, yet were compell'd to own,

That great and wond'rous was the Work our God for us had done.

3 'Twas great, fay they, 'twas wond'rous great is much more should we confess;

The Lord has done great Things, whereof we reap the glad Success.

4 To us bring back the Remnant, Lord, of Ifr'el's captive Bands,

More welcome than refreshing Show'rs to parch'd and thirsty Lands.

5 That we, whose Work commenc'd in Tears, may see our Labours thrive,

'Till finish'd with Success, to make our drooping Hearts revive.

6 Tho' he desponds that sows his Grain, yet doubtless he shall come

To bind his full-ear'd Sheaves, and bring the joyful Harvest home.

PSALM CXXVII.

WE build with fruitless Cost, unless
the Lord the Pile sustain;
Unless the Lord the City keep,

the Watchman wakes in vain.

2 In vain we rife before the Day, and late to Rest repair;

Allow no Respite to our Toil, and eat the Bread of Care.

Supplies of Life, with Ease to them, he on his Saints bestows;

He crowns their Labour with Success, their Nights with found Repose.

3 Children, those Comforts of our Life, are Presents from the Lord;

He gives a num'rous Race of Heirs, as Piety's Reward. As Arrows in a Giant's Hand when marching forth to War, Ev'n fo the Sons of sprightly Youth, their Parents Safeguard are.

yith these prevailing Arms;
He needs not fear to meet his Foe,
at Law, or War's Alarms.

PSALM CXXVIII.

THE Man is bleft that fears the Lord, nor only Worship pays,
But keeps his Steps confin'd with Care
to his appointed Ways.

2 He shall upon the sweet Returns of his own Labour feed; Without Dependance live, and see his Wishes all succeed.

3 His Wife, like a fair fertile Vine, her lovely Fruit shall bring; His Children, like young Olive Plants, about his Table spring;

4, 5 Who fears the Lord, shall prosper thus; him Sion's God shall bless;

And grant him all his Days to see Jerusalem's Success.

6 He shall live on, 'till Heirs from him descend with vast Increase:

Much bless'd in his own prosp'rous State, and more in Ifr'el's Peace.

PSALM CXXIX.

FROM my Youth up, may Isr'el say, they oft have me assail'd,

2 Reduc'd me oft to heavy Straits, but never quite prevail'd.

3 They oft have plow'd my patient Back with Furrows deep and long:

4 But our just God has broke their Chains, and rescu'd us from Wrong.

5 Defeat,

5 Defeat, Confusion, shameful Rout be still the Doom of those, Their righteous Doom, who Sion hate, and Sion's God oppose.

6 Like Corn upon our Houses Tops, untimely let them fade,

Which too much Heat, and want of Root, has blafted in the Blade:

7 Which in his Arms no Reaper takes, but unregarded leaves;

Nor Binder thinks it worth his Pains to fold it into Sheaves.

8 No Traveller that passes by, vouchsafes a Minute's Stop, To give it one kind Look, or crave Heav'n's Blessing on the Crop.

PSALM CXXX.
ROM lowest Depths of Woe

to God I fent my Cry;
Lord, hear my supplicating Voice,
and graciously reply.

3 Should'st thou severely judge, who can the Trial bear?

4 But thou forgiv'st, lest we despond, and quite renounce thy Fear.

for Thee the living Lord;
My Hopes are on thy Promise built,
thy never-failing Word.

6 My longing Eyes look out, for thy enliv'ning Ray,

More duly than the Morning Watch to fpy the dawning Day.

7 Let If 'el trust in God, no Bounds his Mercy knows; The plenteous Source and Spring from whence

eternal Succour flows,

8 Whose friendly Streams to us Supplies in Want convey;

A

A healing Spring, a Spring to cleanse, and wash our Guilt away.

PSALM CXXXI.

O Lord, I am not proud of Heart; nor cast a scornful Eye; Nor my aspiring Thoughts employ in Things for me too high.

With Infant Innocence thou know'st I have myself demean'd; Compos'd to Quiet, like a Babe that from the Breast is wean'd.

3 Like me let Ifr'el hope in God, his Aid alone implore; Both now and ever trust in him, who lives for evermore.

PSALM CXXXII.

I E T David, Lord, a conftant Place in thy Remembrance find;
Let all the Sorrows he endur'd, be ever in thy Mind.

2 Remember what a folemn Oath to Thee, his Lord, he fwore; How to the mighty God he vow'd, whom Jacob's Sons adore:

3, 4 I will not go into my House, nor to my Bed ascend; No soft Repose shall close my Eyes,

nor Sleep my Eye-lids bend;

5 'Till for the Lord's design'd Abode,
I mark the destin'd Ground;
'Till I a decent Place of Rest
for Jacob's God have found.

6 Th' appointed Place, with Shouts of Joy, at Ephrata we found,

And made the Woods and neighb'ring Fields our glad Applause resound.

7 O with due Rev'rence let us then to his Abode repair;

And

And prostrate at his Footstool fall'n, pour out our humble Pray'r.

8 Arife, O Lord, and now possess thy constant Place of Rest;

Be that, not only with thy Ark, but with thy Presence blest.

9, 10 Cloath thou thy Priests with Righteousness, make thou thy Saints rejoice;

And for thy Servant David's Sake, hear thy Anointed's Voice.

(nor shall his Oath be vain)

One of thy Offspring after thee upon thy Throne shall reign:

and to my Laws submit;

Their Children too upon thy Throne for evermore shall fit.

13, 14 For Sion does in God's Esteem all other Seats excel;

His Place of everlasting Rest, where he desires to dwell.

15, 16 Her Store, fays he, I will increase, her Poor with Plenty bless;

Her Saints shall shout for Joy, her Priests my saving Health confess.

17 There David's Pow'r shall long remain in his successive Line,

And my anointed Servant there shall with fresh Lustre shine.

18 The Faces of his vanquish'd Foes Confusion shall o'erspread;

Whilst with confirm'd Success, his Crown shall flourish on his Head.

PSALM CXXXIII.

HOW vast must their Advantage be!
how great their Pleasure prove!
Who live like Brethren, and consent
in Offices of Love!

which, pour'd on Aaron's Head,
Ran down his Beard, and o'er his Robes
its coftly Moifture shed.

3 'Tis like refreshing Dew, which does on Hermon's Top distil;

Or like the early Drops that fall on Sion's fruitful Hill.

4 For God to all, whose friendly Hearts with mutual Love abound,
Has firmly promis'd Length of Days with constant Blessings crown'd.

PSALM CXXXIV.

BLESS God, ye Servants that attend upon his folemn State, That in his Temple, Night by Night, with humble Rev'rence wait:

2, 3 Within this House lift up your Hands, and bless his holy Name;
From Sion bless thy Isr'el, Lord, who Heav'n and Earth didst frame.

PSALM CXXXV.

Praise the Lord with one Consent; and magnify his Name;
Let all the Servants of the Lord his worthy Praise proclaim.

2 Praise him all ye that in his House attend with constant Care;
With those that to his outmost Courts with humble Zeal repair

with humble Zeal repair.

For this our truest Int'rest is,
glad Hymns of Praise to sing;

And with loud Songs to bless his Name, a most delightful thing.

4 For God his own peculiar Choice the Sons of Jacob makes;

And Isr'el's Offspring for his own most valu'd Treasure takes.

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5 That

5 That God is great, we often have by glad Experience found; And feen how he with wond'rous Pow'r

above all Gods is crown'd.

6 For he, with unrefifted Strength, performs his fov'reign Will;

In Heav'n and Earth, and watry Stores that Earth's deep Caverns fill.

7 He raises Vapours from the Ground, which, poiz'd in liquid Air,

Fall down at last in Show'rs, thro' which his dreadful Lightnings glare:

8 He from his Store-house brings the Winds; and he with vengeful Hand, The First-born slew of Man and Beast,

thro' Egypt's mourning Land.

9 He dreadful Signs and Wonders shew'd thro' stubborn Egypt's Coasts,

Nor Pharaob could his Plagues escape, nor all his num'rous Hosts.

and mighty Kings suppress'd; Sibon and Og, and all besides who Canaan's Land posses'd.

12, 13 Their Land upon his chosen Race he firmly did entail;

For which his Fame shall always last, his Praise shall never fail.

14 For God shall soon his People's Cause with pitying Eyes survey; Repent him of his Wrath, and turn

his kindled Rage away.

o'er all the Heathen Lands,
Are made of Silver and of Gold.

the Work of human Hands.

16, 17 They move not their fictitious Tongues, nor fee with polish'd Eyes;

Their

Their counterfeited Ears are deaf, no Breath their Mouth supplies.

18 As fenfeless as themselves are they that all their Skill apply

To make them, or in dang'rous Times on them for Aid rely.

19 Their just Returns of Thanks to God, let grateful Ifr'el pray;

Nor let the Priests of Aaron's Race to bless the Lord delay.

20 Their Sense of his unbounded Love let Levi's House express;
And let all those that fear the Lord,

his Name for ever blefs.

21 Let all with Thanks his wond'rous Works in Sion's Courts proclaim;

Let them in Salem, where he dwells, exalt his holy Name.

PSALM CXXXVI.

Your joyful Thanks repeat:

To him due Praite afford, As good as he is great.

For God does prove Our constant Friend, His boundless Love Shall never end.

2, 3 To him whose wond'rous Pow'r All other Gods obey, Whom earthly Kings adore, This grateful Homage pay. For God, &c.

4, 5 By his Almighty Hand Amazing Works are wrought: The Heav'ns by his Command Were to Pertection brought. For God, &c.

6 He spread the Ocean round About the spacious Land;

And

And made the rising Ground Above the Waters stand. For God, &c.

7, 8, 9 Thro' Heav'n he did display
His num'rous Hosts of Light;
The Sun to rule by Day,
The Moon and Stars by Night.
For God, &c.

Of Egypi's stubborn Land,
And thence his People led
With his resistless Hand.

For God, &c.

As if in Pieces rent,
Disclos'd a middle Way,
Thro' which his People went.
For God, &c.

Where foon he overthrew Proud Pharaoh and his Host, Who daring to pursue, Were in the Billows lost, For God, &c.

16, 17, 18 Thro' Defarts vast and wild He led the chosen Seed; And famous Princes soil'd, And made great Monarchs bleed. For God, &c.

19, 20 Sibon, whose potent Hand Great Ammon's Sceptre sway'd; And Og, whose stern Command Rich Bashan's Land obey'd. For God, &c.

Their Lands whom he destroy'd,
He gave to Isr'el's Race,
To be by hem erjoy'd.
For God, &c.

23, 24 He,

23. 24 He, in our Depth of Woes, On us with Favour thought, And from our cruel Foes In Peace and Safety brought,

For God, &c.

25, 26 He does the Food supply On which all Creatures live: To God who reigns on high, Eternal Praises give.

> For God will prove Our constant Friend, His boundless Love Shall never end.

PSALM CXXXVII.

HEN we, our wearied Limbs to rest, Sat down by proud Euphrates' Stream, We wept, with doleful Thoughts opprest, And Sion was our mournful Theme.

2 Our Harps, that when with Joy we fung, Were wont their tuneful Parts to bear, With filent Strings neglected hung On Willow-trees that wither'd there.

3 Mean while our Foes, who all conspir'd To triumph in our flavish Wrongs, Musick and Mirth of us requir'd,

" Come, fing us one of Sion's Songs."

4 How shall we tune our Voice to fing? Or touch our Harps with skilful Hands? Shall Hymns of Joy to God our King Be fung by Slaves in foreign Lands?

5 O Salem, our once happy Seat! When I of thee forgetful prove, Let then my trembling Hand forget The speaking Strings with Art to move!

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6 If I to mention thee forbear, Eternal Silence feize my Tongue; Or it I fing one chearful Air, 'Till thy Deliv'rance is my Song.

7 Remember

7 Remember, Lord, how Edom's Race In thy own City's fatal Day, Cry'd out, "Her stately Walls deface, "And with the Ground quite level lay."

8 Proud Babel's Daughter, doom'd to be Of Grief and Woe the wretched Prey, Blefs'd is the Man who shall to thee, The Wrongs thou laidst on us repay.

9 Thrice blefs'd, who with just Rage possest, And deaf to all the Parents Moans, Shall snatch thy Infants from the Breast, And dash their Heads against the Stones.

P S A L M CXXXVIII.

thy Praise I will proclaim;
Before the Gods with Joy I'll fing,
and bless thy holy Name.

2 I'll worship at thy sacred Seat; and with thy Love inspir'd,

The Praises of thy Truth repeat, o'er all thy Works admir'd.

3 Thou graciously inclin'dst thine Ear, when I to thee did cry;

And when my Soul was press'd with Fear, didst inward Strength supply.

4 Therefore shall ev'ry earthly Prince thy Name with Praise pursue, Whom these admir'd Events convince

that all thy Works are true.

They all thy wond'rous Ways, O Lord, with chearful Songs shall bless;
And all thy glorious Acts record, thy awful Pow'r confess.

6 For God, altho' enthron'd on high, does thence the Poor respect;
The Proud far off, his scornful Eye, beholds with just Neglect.

7 Tho' I with Troubles am oppress'd, he shall my Foes disarm, Relieve my Soul when most distress'd, and keep me safe from Harm.

8 The Lord, whose Mercies ever last, shall fix my happy State; And mindful of his Favours past, shall his own Work compleat.

PSALM CXXXIX.

My rifing up and lying down;
My fecret Thoughts are known to thee,
Known long before conceiv'd by me.

3 Thine Eye my Bed and Path furveys, My publick Haunts and private Ways;

4 Thou know'ft what 'tis my Lips would vent, My yet unutter'd Words Intent.

5 Surrounded by thy Pow'r I stand, On ev'ry Side I find thy Hand.

6 O Skill, for human Reach too high! Too dazzling bright for mortal Eye!

7 O cou'd I so perfidious be, To think of once deserting thee, Where, Lord, could I thy Influence shun? Or whither from thy Presence run?

8 If up to Heav'n I take my Flight,
'Tis there thou dwell'st enthron'd in Light:
Or dive to Hell's infernal Plains,
'Tis there Almighty Vengeance reigns.

9 If I the Morning's Wings could gain, And fly beyond the Western Main,

Thy fwifter Hand would first arrive, And there arrest thy Fugitive.

Beneath the fable Wings of Night;
One Glance from thee, one piercing Ray
Would kindle Darkness into Day.

12 The Veil of Night is no Disguise, No Screen from thy all searching Eyes: Thro' Midnight Shades thou find'st thy Way, As in the blazing Noon of Day.

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13 Thou know'st the Texture of my Heart, My Reins and ev'ry vital Part. Each single Thread, in Nature's Loom, By thee was cover'd in the Womb.

A Work of fuch a curious Frame;
The Wonders thou in me hast shown,
My Soul with grateful Joy must own.

Thine Eyes my Substance did survey, While yet a lifeless Mass it lay, In secret how exactly wrought.

Ere from its dark Inclosure brought.

Its Parts were registred by Thee:
Thou saw'st the daily Growth they took,
Form'd by the Model of thy Book.

That fince this Maze of Life I trod,
Thy Thoughts of Love to me furmount
The Pow'r of Numbers to recount.

18 Far fooner could I reckon o'er
The Sands upon the Ocean's Shore:
Each Morn revising what I've done,
I find th' Account but new begun.

The Wicked thou shalt slay, O God:
Depart from me, ye Men of Blood,

20 Whose Tongues Heav'n's Majesty profane, And take th' Almighty's Name in vain.

Who thee with Enmity pursue?

And does not Grief my Heart oppress,
When Reprobates thy Law transgress?

22 Who practife Enmity to Thee,
Shall utmost Hatred have from me;
Such Men I utterly detest,
As if they were my Foes profest. [Heart,

23, 24 Search; try, O God, my Thoughts and If Mischief lurks in any Part:

Correct

Correct me where I go astray, And guide me in thy perfect Way. PSALM CXL.

Preserve me, Lord, from crasty Foes, of treacherous Intent;

And from the Sons of Violence, on open Mischief bent.

Their fland'ring Tongue the Serpent's Sting in Sharpness does exceed:

Betweeen their Lips the Gall of Afps, and Adders Venom breed.

4 Preserve me, Lord, from wicked Hands, nor leave my Soul forlorn,

A Prey to Sons of Violence, who have my Ruin fworn.

5 The Proud for me have laid their Snare, and spread their wily Net;

With Traps and Gins where-e'er I move, I find my Steps beset.

6 But thus environ'd with Distress, thou art my God, I said;

Lord, hear my supplicating Voice, that calls to thee for Aid.

7 O Lord, the God whose saving Strength kind Succour did convey,

And cover'd my advent'rous Head in Battle's doubtful Day;

8 Permit not their unjust Designs to answer their Desire;

Lest they, encourag'd by Success, to bolder Crimes aspire.

9 Let first their Chiefs the sad Effects of their Injustice mourn;

The Blast of their envenom'd Breath, upon themselves return.

Let them who kindled first the Flame, its Sacrifice become;

The Pit they digg'd for me be made their own untimely Tomb.

11 Tho'

it quickly will decay;
Their Rage does but the Torrent swell,

that bears themselves away.

12 Ged will affert the poor Man's Cause, and speedy Succour give: The Just shall celebrate his Praise, and in his Presence live.

PSALM CXLI.

TO thee, O Lord, my Cries ascend, O haste to my Relief; And with accustom'd Pity hear the Accents of my Grief.

2 Instead of Off'rings, let my Pray'r like Morning Incense rise;

My lifted Hands supply the Place of Ev'ning Sacrifice.

3 From hafty Language curb my Tongue, and let a conftant Guard Still keep the Portal of my Lips,

with wary Silence barr'd.

4 From wicked Mens Designs and Deeds my Heart and Hands restrain; Nor let me in the Booty share of their unrighteous Gain.

5 Let upright Men reprove my Faults, and I shall think them kind;

Like Balm that heals a wounded Head, I their Reproof shall find;

And in return, my fervent Pray'r I shall for them address,

When they are tempted and aduc'd, like me, to fore Diftress.

I to their Chiefs appeal,

If one reproachful Word I fpoke,
when I had Pow'r to kill.

7 Yet us they perfecute to Death, our scatter'd Ruins lie,

In

As thick as from the Hewer's Axe the fever'd Splinters fly.

8 But, Lord, to thee I still direct my supplicating Eyes,

O leave not destitute my Soul, whose Trust on thee relies.

9 Do thou preserve me from the Snares that wicked Hands have laid; Let them in their own Nets be caught, while my Ecape is made.

PSALM CXLII.

O God with mournful Voice in deep Distress I pray'd;

2 Made him the Umpire of my Cause, my Wrongs before him laid.

3 Thou didft my Steps direct, when my griev'd Soul despair'd; For where I thought to walk secure, they had their Traps prepar'd.

4 I look'd, but found no Friend to own me in Diftress;

All Refuge fail'd, no Man vouchsaf'd his Pity or Redress.

5 To God at last I pray'd, thou, Lord, my Refuge art, My Portion in the Land of Life, 'till Life itself depart.

6 Reduc'd to greatest Straits, to Thee I make my Moan;

O fave me from oppressing Foes, for me too pow'rful grown.

7 That I may praise thy Name, my Soul from Prison bring; Whilst of thy kind Regard to me, affembled Saints shall sing.

P S A L M CXLIII.
O R D, hear my Pray'r, and to my Cry
thy wonted Audience lend;

In thy accustom'd Faith and Truth a gracious Answer send.

2 Nor at thy strict Tribunal bring thy Servant to be try'd; For in thy Sight no living Man can e'er be justify'd.

The spiteful Foe pursues my Life, whose Comforts all are fled;
He drives me into Caves as dark as Mansions of the Dead.

My Spirit therefore is o'erwhelm'd; and finks within my Breast; My mournful Heart grows desolate, with heavy Woes opprest.

and Wonders thou hast wrought:

My former Dangers and Escapes
employ my musing Thought.

6 To thee my Hands in humble Pray'r
I fervently stretch out;

My Soul for thy Refreshment thirsts, like Land oppress'd with Drought.

7 Hear me with Speed; my Spirit fails; thy Face no longer hide, Left I become forlorn, like them

that in the Grave reside.

8 Thy Kindness early let me hear, whose Trust on thee depends;
Teach me the Way where I should go;
my Soul to thee ascends.

Do thou, O Lord, from all my Foes preferve, and fet me free;

A fafe Retreat against their Rage my Soul implores from Thee.

Thou art my God, thy righteous Will instruct me to obey;

Let thy good Spirit lead and keep my Soul in thy right Way.

11 O for

revive my drooping Heart:
For thy Truth's Sake to me distress'd,
thy promis'd Aid impart.

reduce my Foes to Shame;
Slay them that persecute a Soul
devoted to thy Name.

PSALM CXLIV.

FOR ever bless'd be God the Lord, Who does his needful Aid impart, At once both Strength and Skill afford To wield my Arms with warlike Art.

2 His Goodness is my Fort and Tow'r, My Strong Deliv'rance and my Shield; In him I trust, whose matchless Pow'r Makes to my Sway sierce Nations yield.

Such tender Care of him to take?

What in his Offspring could thee move
Such great Account of him to make?

4 The Life of Man does quickly fade, His Thoughts but empty are and vain, His Days are like a flying Shade, Of whose short Stay no Signs remain.

5 In folemn State, O God, descend, Whilst Heav'n its losty Head inclines; The smoaking Hills asunder rend, Of thy Approach the awful Signs.

6 Discharge thy dreadful Lightning round, And make thy scatter'd Foes retreat; Them with thy pointed Arrows wound, And their Destruction soon compleat.

7, 8 Do thou, O Lord, from Fleav'n engage Thy boundless Pow'r my Foes to quelt, And fnatch me from the stormy Rage Of threat'ning Waves that proudly swell. Fight thou against my foreign Foes, Who utter Speeches false and vain;

Who

Who tho' in folemn Leagues they close, Their fworn Engagements ne'er maintain.

9 So I to Thee, O King of Kings, In joyful Hymns my Voice shall raise, And Instruments of various Strings Shall help me thus to sing thy Praise.

To them his fure Salvation fends;

"Tis He that from the murd'ring Sword,

" His Servant David still defends."

Who utter Speeches false and vain;
Who tho' in solemn Leagues they close,
Their sworn Engagements ne'er maintain.

Well planted in some fruitful Place;
Our Daughters shall like Pillars show,
Design'd some Royal Court to grace.

Our Garners fill'd with various Store, Shall us and ours with Plenty feed, Our Sheep increasing more and more, Shall thousands and ten thousands breed.

Nor in their constant Labour faint; Whilst we no War nor Slav'ry know; And in our Streets hear no Complaint.

Whose various Blessings thus abound:
Who God's true Worship still embrace,
And are with his Protection crown'd.

thy endless Praise proclaim;
This Tribute daily I will bring,
and ever bless thy Name.

PSALM CXLV.

Thou, Lord, beyond Compare art great, and highly to be prais'd;
Thy Majesty, with boundless Height, above our Knowlege rais'd.

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4 Renown'd for mighty Acts, thy Fame to future Times extends;

From Age to Age thy glorious Name fuccessively descends.

5, 6 Whilft I thy Glory and Renown, and wond'rous Works express,

The World with me thy Might shall own, and thy great Pow'r confess.

7 The Praise that to thy Love belongs, they shall with Joy proclaim;

Thy Truth of all their grateful Songs shall be the constant Theme.

8 The Lord is good; fresh Acts of Grace his Pity still supplies;

His Anger moves with flowest Pace, his willing Mercy flies.

9, 10 Thy Love thro' Earth extends its Fame, to all thy Works exprest;

These shew thy Praise, whilst thy great Name is by thy Servants blest.

11 They, with a glorious Prospect fir'd, shall of thy Kingdom speak;

And thy great Pow'r, by all admir'd, their lofty Subjects make.

12 God's glorious Works of ancient Date, fhall thus to all be known;

And thus his Kingdom's Royal State, with publick Splendor shown.

13 His stedsast Throne, from Changes free, shall stand for ever fast;

His boundless Sway no End shall see, but Time itself out-last.

#### PART II.

14, 15 The Lord does them support that fall, and makes the Prostrate rise;
For his kind Aid all Creatures call, who timely Food supplies.

Whate'er their various Wants require, with open Hand he gives;

And

And fo fulfils the just Defire of ev'ry thing that lives.

17, 18 How holy is the Lord, how just ! how righteous all his Ways!

How nigh to him, who with firm Trust for his Assistance prays.

19 He grants the full Desires of those who him with Fear adore;

And will their Troubles foon compose, when they his Aid implore.

whom grateful Love employs:

But Sinners who his Vengeance dare,

with furious Rage destroys.

21 My Time to come, in Praises spent, shall still advance his Fame, And all Mankind with one Consent for ever bless his Name.

PSALM CXLVI.

1, 2 Praise the Lord, and thou, my Soul, for ever bless his Name:

His wond'rous Love, while Life shall last, my constant Praise shall claim.

3 On Kings, the greatest Sons of Men, let none for Aid rely;

They cannot fave in dang'rous Times, nor timely Help apply.

4 Deprived of Breath, to Dust they turn, and there neglected lie,

And all their Thoughts and vain Defigns together with them die.

5 Then happy he, who Jacob's God for his Protector takes;

Who still, with well-plac'd Hope, the Lord his constant Refuge makes.

6 The Lord, who made both Heav'n and Earth, and all that they contain,

Will never quit his stedfast Truth, nor make his Promise vain.

7 The

7 The Poor opprest, from all their Wrongs are eas'd by his Decree;

He gives the Hungry needful Food, and fets the Pris'ners free.

8 By him the Blind receive their Sight, the Weak and Fall'n he rears:

With kind Regard and tender Love he for the Righteous cares.

9 The Strangers he preserves from Harm, the Orphan kindly treats,

Defends the Widow, and the Wiles of wicked Men defeats.

10 The God, that does in Sion dwell, is our eternal King:

From Age to Age his Reign endures, let all his Praises sing.

PSALM CXLVII.

Praise the Lord with Hymns of Joy, and celebrate his Fame!

For pleasant, good, and comely 'tis to praise his holy Name.

2 His holy City God will build, tho' levell'd with the Ground:

Bring back his People, tho' dispers'd thro' all the Nations round.

3,4 He kindly heals the broken Hearts, and all their Wounds does close;

He tells the Number of the Stars, their fev'ral Names he knows.

5, 6 Great is the Lord, and great his Pow'r, his Wisdom has no Bound;

The Meek he raises, and throws down the Wicked to the Ground.

7 To God, the Lord, a Hymn of Praise with grateful Voices sing;

To Songs of Triumph tune the Harp, and ttrike each warbling String.

8 He covers Heav'n with Clouds, and thence refreshing Rain bestows:

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Thro' him, on Mountain-tops, the Grass with wond'rous Plenty grows.

9 He, favage Beafts that loofely range, with timely Food fupplies;

He feeds the Ravens tender Brood, and stops their hungry Cries.

but does his Strength disdain;

The nimble Foot that swiftly runs, no Prize from him can gain.

his tender Love extends;

To him that on his boundless Grace with stedfast Hope depends.

12, 13 Let Sion and Jerusalem to God their Praise address;

Who fenc'd their Gates with maffy Bars, and does their Children bless.

14, 15 Thro' all their Borders he gives Peace, with finest Wheat they're fed;

He fpeaks the Word, and what he wills is done as foon as faid.

16 Large Flakes of Snow, like fleecy Wool, descend at his Command;

And hoary Frost, like Ashes spread, is scatter'd o'er the Land.

17 When join'd to these, he does his Hail in little Morsels break,

Who can against his piercing Cold fecure Defences make?

18 He fends his Word, which melts the Ice; he makes his Wind to blow,

And foon the Streams, congeal'd before, in plenteous Currents flow.

19 By him his Statutes and Decrees to 'facob's Sons were shown;

And still to Isr'es chosen Seed his righteous Laws are known.

20 No other Nation this can boaft, nor did he e'er afford To Heathen Lands his Oracles, and Knowledge of his Word.

Hallelujab.

PSALM CXLVIII.

1, 2 YE boundless Realms of Joy, Exalt your Maker's Fame; His Praise your Song employ

Above the starry Frame; Your Voices raise,

Ye Cherubim

And Seraphim,

To fing his Praise.

3, 4 Thou Moon that rul'st the Night, And Sun that guid'st the Day,

Ye glitt'ring Stars of Light, To him your Homage pay:

His Praise declare,

Ye Heav'ns above,

And Clouds that move

In liquid Air.

5, 6 Let them adore the Lord,

And praise his holy Name, By whose Almighty Word

They all from Nothing came:

And all shall last

From Changes free:

His firm Decree

Stands ever fast.

7, 8 Let Earth her Tribute pay;

Praise him, ye dreadful Whales,

And Fish that through the Sea

Glide swift with glitt'ring Scales:

Fire, Hail, and Snow,

And mifty Air,

And Winds that, where

He bids them, blow.

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9, 10 By

9, 10 By Hills and Mountains (all In grateful Confort join'd)

By Cedars stately tall,

And Trees for Fruit defign'd;

By ev'ry Beaft, And creeping Thing,

And Fowl of Wing,

His Name be bleft.

11, 12 Let all of Royal Birth, With those of humbler Frame,

And Judges of the Earth,

His matchless Praise proclaim.

In this Defign Let Youths with Maids,

And hoary Heads With Children join.

13 United Zeal be shown,

His wond'rous Fame to raise,

Whose glorious Name alone Deserves our endless Praise.

Earth's utmost Ends

His Pow'r obey:

His glorious Sway
The Sky transcends.

He sets them up on high,
And favours Isr'el's Race,

Who still to him are nigh.

O therefore raife

Your grateful Voice,

And still rejoice

The Lord to praise.

PSALM'CXLIX.

Praise ye the Lord,
prepare your glad Voice,
His Praise in the great

Affembly to fing. In our great Creator

let Isr'el rejoice,

And

And Children of Sion be glad in their King.

extol in the Dance;
With Timbrel and Harp

his Praises express,

Who always takes Pleafure his Saints to advance,

And with his Salvation the Humble to bless.

5, 6 With Glory adorn'd, his People shall sing

To God, who their Beds with Safety does shield;

Their Mouths fill'd with Praises of him their great King;

Whilst a two-edged Sword their right Hand shall wield,

7, 8 Just Vengeance to take for Injuries past; To punish those Lands

for Ruin design'd;

With Chains, as their Captives, to tie their Kings fast,

With Fetters of Iron their Nobles to bind.

9 Thus shall they make good, when them they destroy;

The dreadful Decree

which God does proclaim,

Such Honour and Triumph his Saints shall enjoy.

O therefore for ever exalt his great Name.

PSALM CL.

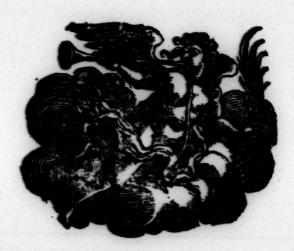
Praise the Lord in that blest Place from whence his Goodness largely flows:

Praise him in Heav'n, where he his Face unveil'd in persect Glory shows.

2 Praise

2 Praise him for all the mighty Acts, which he in our Behalf has done; His Kindness this Return exacts, with which our Praise should equal run; 2 Let the shrill Trumpet's warlike Voice make Rocks and Hills his Praise rebound; Praise him with Harp's melodious Noise. and gentle Pfaltry's filver Sound. 4 Let Virgin Troops foft Timbrels bring, and fome with graceful Motion dance; Let Instruments of various Strings, with Organs join'd, his Praise advance. 5 Let them who joyful Hymns compose, to Cymbals fet their Songs of Praise; Cymbals of common Use, and those that loudly found on folemn Days. 6 Let all that vital Breath enjoy, the Breath he does to them afford, In just Returns of Praise employ: let ev'ry Creature praise the Lord.

The END.



### GLORIA PATRI, &c.

Common Measure.

O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom we adore,
Be Glory, as it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

As Pfalm 25.
To God the Father, Son, and Spirit, Glory be;
As 'twas, and is, and shall be so to all Eternity.

As the 100 Pfalm.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom Earth and Heav'n adore,
Be Glory as it was of Old,
is now and shall be evermore.

As Pfalm 112, and last Part of the 113 Pfalm Tune.
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom Heav'ns triumphant Host,
and suff'ring Saints on Earth adore,
Be Glory as in Ages past,
As now it is, and so shall last,
when Time itself must be no more.

As Pfalm 148.

To God the Father, Son, and Spirit ever bless'd,

Eternal Three in One,

All Worship be address'd,

As heretofore

It was, is now,

And shall be so

For evermore.

As Pfalm 149. By Angels in Heav'n of ev'ry Degree, And Saints upon Earth,

all Praise be address'd
To God in Three Persons,
one God ever bless'd;
As it has been, now is,
and always shall be.

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